Dear Tartt:

While things are fresh in my mind, let me make the following suggestions:

- Jan. 6 Tampa informal discussion in home of Matheny.
 - 7 Tampa First Christian A.M. also afternoon or evening union meeting
 - 8 St. Petersburg or Clearwater or Bradenton
 - 9 Winter Haven
 - 10 De Land
 - 11 Winter Park afternoon, supper and evening
 - 12 Sarasota or Lake Wales or Bartow or Arcadia
 - 13 Travel and informal home meeting in Miamai
 - 14 Miamei A. M. afternoon or evening
 - 15 Miama ministers Am, evening meeting or Coral Gables.
 - 16 West Palm Beach
 - 17 Melbourne or Sanford or Lake Worth or Fort Laderdale
 - 18 St. Augustine or Jacksonville or Lake City
 - 19 Tallahassee or Pensacola or Panama City

What do you think of this combination?

MUST OUR CIVILIZATION BE DESTROYED?

Suppor: What Can the Churches Do About the World Crisis? Evening: How Can Christians Stop Worldwide Communism?

Tell Russell we are looking forward eagerly to the travel with him next year.

It was grand to have these days with you.

Carry on

1842 Tacoma Ave. Berkeley 7, Calif. April 2, 1950

Dr. Kirby Page LaHabra, Calif.

Dear Kirby:

I am writing a paper under Dr. Edward Blakeman at Pacific School of Religion on "The Growth and Influence of the Student YMCA". Included in it will be a section with statements from prominent men in religion, education, government, and humanitarian activities, on the influence which the Student YMCA has had in their lives.

I am hoping you will be able to send me such a statement, including in it such things as the Y's influence in your choice of a life-work, religious convictions, social and political outlook and activity, development of leadership ability, etc. I will greatly appreciate your help in this.

You may remember me from the student conference at Pacific Palidades (when Bill and Jeannie Holliday first met). I was also at the Friends Memorial Church here a couple of years ago when you spoke; also a long time ago, in Escondido, when a woman asked you if it would be possible for a Republican to get to heaven. I'll always remember that one!

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

John K. Burleson

P.S.

Could you please list the offices, as a student or employed secretary, which you have held in the Student Y. Also the college or university with which it was connected.

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Yow Aborigine Fund

FOR USE AT

Samkong, Linhsien, Kwangtung, S. China

April 3, 1950.

Dear Mr. & Mus. Page:

The last time we were in contact

you told me that you would like to help some
when we got ready to go back to China. He
when not ready get, and may never be ready
(are not ready get, and may never be ready
(though we want to go). We have a way to
handle money now, but as you see, our carn-

of Baste. I'm simply reporting progress, and one Park tonion and one Presbyterian. Arch St. Friends have decided to unite organically (last week). Hurrah! yours sincerely. P. P. Montgomery. The state of the s

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Statement by the American Committee

IT IS HOPED that \$5,000 can be raised in 1950 to enable Mr. and Mrs. (Dr.) R. P. Montgomery to return to China and resume their work among the 100,000 Yow aboriginal people living in the mountains of South China. This work was carried on by them from 1934 to 1948.

ESTIMATED IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Minimum travel expenses for two to inland China - \$1,000
Erection of a mud-brick building for In-patients' Department 3,000
Salary (one year) for Yow woman teacher 300
Scholarship Fund (to provide seven scholarships) 700

Total - \$5,000

In the past, having no place for in-patients, Dr. Montgomery has had to confine her work to out-calls and dispensary treatments. This professional care has for the most part been provided for the aboriginal people, but adequate facilities for both in-patients and out-patients will provide much-needed medical care for Chinese who can afford some nominal charge. This will make it financially possible to extend the outreach.

This out-patients' building might be a memorial to some loved one, whose name could be given to the entire medical plant.

The young woman for whom a salary is being sought will be the first Yow Christian worker for these people. Educated from the start in the home or under the direction of the Montgomerys, she is the only female of these 100,000 Yow aborigines who can read and write. She will finish her training at the Union Normal School in Canton in June (1950).

The scholarships will enable seven now completely illiterate aborigine girls or boys to get

a year's schooling. If this Christian work is to continue, thought must be given to possible future workers with a real dedication to Christ's service.

This work is interdenominational, and was carried on in the past without workers' salaries or work appropriations outside of China. Mr. Montgomery has been a Christian missionary in China since 1907. He married Dr. Montgomery in 1929, three years after her graduation at the Hackett Medical College in Canton. This partnership of spiritual educator and medical worker has proven to fill a need in that part of the world.

Leaflets describing the religious, medical and educational work may be had on request from the Montgomerys at 933 Race St., Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania.

Checks may be made payable to "Yow Aborigine Fund" and sent to any member of the Committee or to the Montgomerys. Money received will be placed on interest, which will be used with the principal at the direction of the Committee.

Should the Montgomerys ultimately be prevented from returning to China (because of political or other circumstances beyond their control), the funds raised will be used by others for the carrying on of the work they have started and put on a firm basis, at the discretion of the American Committee.

The Montgomerys' premises in China are at present being occupied by Mrs. Montgomery's mother and cousins, one of whom is pastor of the local Christian church, who, with two graduate nurses (one of them the pastor's wife), are rendering some free service to the Yows.

The Montgomery children are at present provided for as follows (School Year 1949-'50):

McAfee Montgomery (19-year-old son) is now a sophomore in Wilmington (Ohio) College.

Margaret Montgomery (17) is residing at Westtown and is a junior in West Chester H. S,

Mildred Montgomery (15) is in the Americaniza-

tion Dept. of the McCall School, Philadelphia.

Clara Montgomery (13) is residing at George School and is a 7th grade student at Newtown Friends' School.

In the photograph, from the left, the young folks are: Mildred, Margaret, McAfee (Mac), and Clara. The photograph was taken Dec. 28, 1949.





Chinese Christian churches, hospitals, and schools have done what they could to help the Yows. The photo at the left shows the principals in a mock Yow wedding which was part of a money-raising entertainment given by Yows and boys and girls of Canton schools (Union and True Light) at Linhsien as war refugees. Four Yow men, master of ceremonies and bridegrooms, wear sashes. The three "brides" are boys wearing Yow women's bridal skirts, which the women would rent but were too shy to come down to wear.

Cordial help from Chinese will continue, but the sums they can give will not go far toward salaries or buildings.



people some years previously and could read and write (after a fashion). At that time his handsome, intelligent stepdaughter had a "sketchy" year in school, long enough to awaken ambition to spend her life as something more than an illiterate drudge in a mud-floored but and stony fields on a mountain. When she went

put her in a primary school, On return home, her friends found that an engagement made for her as a little child could not be broken. Afterseven hectic years of "headache" for all concerned, her husband gave their little boy to his

mother and found a more docile wife. Not long after, the rejected one found omparative peace in union with a poor but capable and considerate Chinese. Their home in Linchow City shelters her small half-brother, as he studies in a Christian school. She has also helped her half-sister (girl nearest the margin, in this smiling trio, snapped in 1946).



to Canton in 1935 in a group of seven Yows to help raise money to support a Yow student, the girls of True Light High School were so charmed with her that they collected \$100 on the spot to



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April 4, 1950

Dear Board Member:

At a meeting of our Board in Cincinnati, March 20, at the time of the National Conference a motion was passed giving me leave for two months to be the Executive Director of the Mid-Century Conference for Peace to be held in Chicago, May 29-30. I did not make a final decision until I had talked with enough members of the Board to make sure there was general agreement with the action taken.

I would not have taken this temporary assignment had I not been convinced that the supreme issue of the hour is to help find peaceful alternatives to the present cold war, which daily threatens to become a shooting war. The anti-communist hysteria, that has just risen to a nauseating peak in McCarthyism, is befuddling the American people and discrediting us in the eyes of the world. Under the constant bombardment of radio and press propaganda we are in danger of losing all perspective and failing to weild the moral authority in international affairs that might be expected to flow from our great democratic traditions.

My decision was made easier by two facts. I have great respect for the initiating sponsors of the Mid-Century Conference (see list at the bottom of attached letter-head), a number of whom are members of our own General Executive Board, and for the now more than 200 additional sponsors living in all parts of the country. Moreover, this conference is, in a very true sense, a projection of the peace action taken by our own National conferences this year and last.

We enclose herewith mimeographed copies of the reports of the six zommissions adopted at our recent conference in Cincinnati. An issue of Economic Justice now on the press will present a digest of the findings to our entire membership.

I shall keep in constant touch with our National office, and Dr. Dodge will see to it that all administrative matters are attended to promptly. .

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours, Willard Uphaus

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April 4, 1950

Kirby Page P.O. Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Kirby:

Congratulations on your recent successful trip through Florida and Alabama! This is certainly virgin territory from our standpoint, and I understand from Tartt that the trip was not without its quota of difficulties and cancellations.

I thoroughly agree with you in your evaluation of Tartt Bell. He is, indeed, a faithful laborer in the vineyard and ideally qualified for work in the South. We have several times considered him seriously for other positions, but up to the present have felt that his contribution in the South was too valuable to interrupt. Pressure to give him a broader field of operation in Service Committee work continues, but we will make no moves without the most careful consultation with Tartt and with full recognition of his valuable services in the Greensboro office.

How grateful we are for the great contribution you and Alma make to our work. Your devotion to the cause of peace is an inspiration to all of us in the Service Committee, and we place a high evaluation, indeed, upon the services you render to us.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen G. Cary Secretary

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April 5, 1950

Kirby Page c/o Guy Beghardt Friends University Wichita, Kansas

Dear Kirby:

I received the news that your radio programs have been cancelled in somewhat the same spirit that you wrote that you hoped that my contract in Argentina would fall through. I could sympathize with your desire to try a different medium and the prospects of a longer period at home. At the same time I know how much you can do for the cause here in Texas and elsewhere.

We are glad to begin scheduling you for February 25 through March 16, 1951. I assume you have checked this with the calendar and that it does not include Holy Week. You mentioned a publicity sheet, of which we could have twenty to fifty copies, but you did not enclose a sample. I expect to prepare a publicity folder quoting from letters and newspapers on your recent tour. This will be designed as a general interpretation and report folder as well as a prospectus for your 1951 tour.

No word yet from Argentina. In the meantime, we have lined up the president of the national Student Disciples Fellowship, who is graduating from TCU this spring, to work as an associate on a maintenance basis in this region for the next two years. Unless I remain we shall probably have as my successor Charles Lampman, pastor of the University Friends Church in Wichita. He was down recently, and we had a very satisfactory talk. This is confidential, and I am sure you will not let it out in Kansas.

Marta is doing well. She arrived before you left Texas, you know, but we didn't have your schedule arranged right to see her. Phyllis joins me in best wishes to you and Alma.

Word today from Argentina not final but indicating quite unlikely that we shall to be going this year.

Sincerely,

Olcutt Sanders

Dear Mr. Page.

We would very much appreciate

your judgment on this!

C.W. 108 N. Green Bay St.

Appleton, Wisconsin

April 5, 1950

Dear Friends:

The Appleton meeting of the Society of Friends has formulated the enclosed plan for a new kind of directed effort toward the peace we all recognize as the supreme need of our time,

This first, rough draft of the idea we are sending to you, with the request that you present it to your group for their appraisal, criticism, and suggestions. It is wholly experimental and will require the best insight of many minds if it is to achieve the pointedness and strength to carry across the many obstacles of a complex situation.

If the response of your group and others is favorable, we will include your suggestions and send them to the American Friends Service Committee, the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the League of Women Voters etc., and to persons in a strategic position to know the values and obstacles, like Eleanor Roosevelt; the Anthropologist, Alexander Leighton of Princeton; the Semanticist, Mr. Hayakawa; the Group Dynamics Research at the University of Michigan, etc. We would be glad if you would also send us names of groups and persons you think important.

If the consensus turns out to be that in these times we dare not leave a stone unturned, that such an experiment can at least do no harm and deserves a whole-hearted try, we hope that under the guidance of the American Friends Service Committee, the plan might reach final form; the women found who would prepare themselves for the task; and suitable techniques developed to make evaluations and improvements in the light of on-going experience.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Louis E. Wise

Secretary

Mr. Einstein writes in the March "Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists" of the appalling momentum of events leading to bigger preparations for war, latest being the Hydrogen bomb, with the possible outcome of its use.

One is impressed by the growing impotence of traditional channels, the inadequacy of diplomatic convention, the "too little too late" nature of citizen goodwill efforts. Our need today for a meeting of minds with the Russians is acute - the more so since the recent bogging down of the "Voice of America". Must we wait like sheep, before the mounting failure of traditional group procedures? Or can some of us profit by the insights of modern Anthropology, move out of our cultural grooves, and experiment with untried methods?

Of all groups, women feel most keenly against the senseless destruction of their children, the devastation of their cities. Russian mothers know it from bitter experience; and it was an American, Jane Addams, who had enough faith in the resolution of women to found the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. There are several such women's international organizations today, but they function according to a conventional pattern of occasional meetings, of, by, and for a few, usually already convinced. We have reason to fear that their program is not sufficiently pervasive, or cumulative. The all-important body of Russian women are conspicuous by their absence. While fully appreciating that never has there been such widespread striving for peace, by groups within and without the United Nations, there is still no assurance that all these efforts add up to something decisive, or will reach the heart of the matter, which seems to be American-Soviet rapport. Rather, is the arms race deepening mutual fear.

Some of us, who have lived in South Europe, know the name "iron curtain" to be a misnomer. Rather, there are large areas, continuous with the west on one side, and the Soviet Union on the other, which are permeable. There are over-lapping regions across which continuous human intercourse is possible, to the border of, and on into, the USSR. Of Northern Europe this is probably most true of the merging of Sweden, Finland and Russia.

Here, then, is the plan we suggest: There is a technique, peculiarly appropriate to women, used by them since time immemorial, to a varying extent and in varying degrees of effectiveness. Women, when aroused, can talk, can spread the word from one to another. Latest, most effective use of this means was when the League of Women Voters of America decided to carry on a talk-campaign from coast to coast, to prepare and educate public opinion on behalf of the San Francisco Conference for the founding of the UN. It was at the same time well-planned and spontaneous, organized and informal. These women educated themselves on the importance of person-to-person contact. Each member was responsible for awakening so many other individuals, became skilled in utilizing all kinds of opportunities and approaches, reported back to her group the number of persons she had influenced, and shared the insights of her experience. There is no doubt that these thousands of conversations helped to create widespread understanding and insistence, ultimately responsible for the success of the San Francisco Conference.

A similar technique, which has usually been associated with question-able ends, is the so-called "chain method" in which each person contacted agrees to reach ten more persons, who do likewise, ad infinitum.

We visualize a far-flung experiment which might combine both these techniques. It would be non-sectarian, non-political, depending for motive and momentum solely on the deep concern of women everywhere that the present insane and dangerous arms race be checked; that women of the two leading countries, USA and USSR, feel, think, plan together for the survival of their children. It would not of itself be a format organization, nor would it be a vague Movement. It would, however, provide for the real "movement" of a few well-chosen, powerful ideas, and in a specific direction. It would be set up with the benefit of the best available psychological, anthropological, group dynamics and other social-scientific counsel, and would in so far as possible be observed, tested, reshaped as need be, along the way. It would be initiated by a group of qualified American women in Europe, It could be sponsored by experienced American groups like the American Friends Service Committee, and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

The initial message to be launched, chain-wise, would be extremely fundamental yet simple, and concentrated emphasis would be placed on the crucial responsibility of each woman to pass along not only the content of the message, but the sense of responsibility for passing it along. Each woman chosen must also be taught to choose her ten women with care for their intelligence, sincerity and ability to select and impress ten more such women. And the movement must be ever to the East, from one town to the next. Frontier communities would be faced with an especially critical task, yet there are many multi-lingual European women, with friends, relatives, business and other connections just across the frontier.

The essence of the first simple, basic message should probably be the urgency, in this atomic age when war has become madness, of united effort by women, of the fact that they can and must arouse themselves beyond domestic interests, hostile propaganda, and reliance on the traditional behaviors of their mentfolk in this situation, to create the possibility of meeting and working with women of the other countries most concerned. This would mean, first, that many Soviet women would have to become convinced that many American women stand shoulder to shoulder with them as women and mothers for peace above nationalism and political creed; second, that Soviet women become persuaded to work as women to prevail by their own best means, upon their men-folk and their government, to permit them to get together with women of other nations.

The strength and essence of this attempt to communicate with Soviet women, would lie in the quietness with which it was carried out - without publicity, fanfare, or hostile intent toward any group or government. It would be the simple, unimpeachable, everyday act of women and mothers talking to their neighbors as women and mothers. How far such directed talk could travel geographically would be a matter of great social scientific interest - ways to observe and improve upon it would have to be devised. Some of the Anthropologists

who pioneered in getting such information for our Psychological warfare division a new years ago would be of help here. The distance and spread would depend greatly upon the skill and sincerity with which the first capsule was loaded and launched. The "how" is as important as the "what". It must pack tremendous and justifiable faith in what the great Danish educator, Gruntvig, called "the living word". It must contain directions to safeguard against semantic weakening: each setting into another language must choose the most meaningful idiom.

It would be a matter of weeks, months, or even years, before Soviet women could win the right to meet outside their border, or invite delegations of foreign women to visit them. In the meantime some shaping of ideas, some back and forth communication might possibly develop in either of two ways: (1) if Soviet women were encouraged to send back a reply, via the same, or a similar chain of women, or (2) or a reverse "movement", this time of meetings, within adjoining or overlapping areas, from East to West, were gotten going. The size, purpose and means of communication between these meetings would have to be worked out. In the early stage, at least, emphasis would be on keeping the message fairly simple and basic, expressive of what Soviet women feel they can do, and would like to see us do - perhaps agreement or reformulation as to the ultimate goal, with indication as to what their immediate next steps might be, and suggestions as to what should be ours. An area to the far-east could send a representative to the meeting of the adjoining area to the west, which would then send their representative to their neighboring westward area, always with the brief, cumulative summary of agreement and suggestion. Whether anything should be committed to writing anywhere along the line cannot be answered by us, now. This reverse movement of group conclusions might prove entirely too ambitious and complex to be handled by word There are factors and possibilities, both positive and negative, which can only be seen later. It may seem naive to hope that Soviet women would dare get together to discuss the desirability of discussion with women of that much-propagandized-against country, America. However, women can say quite a good deal over their mending, knitting, spinning, or whatnot, about their wish to see their children spared another war, without being reckoned "dangerous" or "political". At any rate, the first objective of "breaking through" somehow, to Soviet women, to reach them with a sense of American women's earnestness as to common cause and need for action, does seem possible, and worth courageous thought.

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1305 East Colorado Street, Pasadena 1, California

MINISTERS

FRANK S. WILLIAMS, D. D. JAMES R. HADLEY

April 6,1950

Dear Kirby:

I have been glad to receive the information you have sent out telling about the Asilomar retreat August 10-17. I have delayed answering thinking we might be able to attend. It now appears we cannot plan on it.

We may have to take our spiritual improvement vicariously, as we are helping our daughter, Dot, a Junior in college to go to Germany this summer with a team of youth from our conference. We believe it will be a great experience for her and we are glad we can help her go.

I like your new book: "The Creative Revolution of Jesus". Are you sending them out on sonsignment? If so we would like to have 16 cepies as a starter.

Best wishes to you always.

Cordially,

Walker

been called off.

Dear Tartt and Russell:

Alma and I have been talking a good deal about subjects for the series next year and want to pass along tentative suggestions. I have already passed suggestions theme:

MUST OWN CIVILIZATION BE DESTROYED?

Supper: What Can the Churches Do About the World Crisis? Evening: How Can Christians Stop Worldwide Communism?

A possible alternative to be selected by local committees might be:

HOW CAN WEST COMMUNISM? Be Stophed?

6 P. M. - Supper (make advance reservations)

Tope followed by two public addresses and a forum, open also to individuals who do not come to the meal.

7 P. M. - Address: Stopping Communism in the United States.

8 P. M. - Address: A Program For Waging Peace.

Be stopped?

Theme: How Can We Stop Communism? This seems to have publicity value. It also will be reassuring to local committees who desire to make it clear that I am not a communist or a fellow-traveler.

Supper: Long experience shows these advantages of a supper: (1) The work required to sell supper tickets is excellent promotion for the two addresses. (2) Advance payment for supper tickets helps to stabilize attendance if the weather is unfavorable. (3) Fellowship around the tables is highly valuable. On the other hand, the meal is NOT A NECESSITY. Two addresses can be advertised to begin at 7 P. M. and at 8 P. M., followed by disucssion. The announcement of two addresses is much preferable to a single address at an evening session.

Two Addresses: In all publicity emphasis should be given to the fact that both addresses are open to the public even though a supper ticket is not purchased. The subject for 7 o'clock will enable me to make a sharp differentiation between communism, on the one hand, and various types of liberalism and socialism, on the other hand. This is extremely important because of the widespread tendency to label all dissent from the status quo with the tag of communism. At this session I plan to discuss a Christian economic order as the answer to communism. At 8 o'clock I will endeavor to present a constructive program of action in waging world peace. Both addresses will be religious presentations of the way of Jesus for us as we face the threat of worldwide communism.

sunday A.M and PM (3)

Ready-Made Meetings. On some occasions it is possible to have me speak at a combined meeting of Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions Clubs, etc. This provides an excellent opportunity of reaching people who may not come to a speacial peace meeting. Wherever possible it is much better to have this combined service clubs at a 6 o'clock, because some of them will then attend the second address also. Where travel secuedle permits, I could speak at a noon meeting, in addition to the supper and evening sessions, but not more than twice per week. An effort should be made to have me speak before city-wide or county-wide meetings of Councils of Church Women and other church women. If travel permits, a meeting of county-wide ministers on Monday morning is desirable. I can speak three times daily only twice per week. Saturday is sufficient as a day or rest.

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Home Sessions of Invited Individuals. Where travel permits, it may be desirable to have a minister or one of his laymen invite a strategic group to a home for a lap-supper followed by informal and unhurried discussion of a Christian's responsibility in this hour of world crisis.

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Please send Copies around There return this to K.P.

SCHEDULE FOR KIRBY PAGE

MANSAS, APRIL 10 - 21, 1950.

MONDAY, April 10th, MARION, Rev. George DeBoer, Presbyterian Church,

TUESDAY, April 11th, GARDEN CITY, Rev. James Pearce, Christian Church,

WEDNESDAY, April 12th, LEOTI, Rev. Owen W. Paul, Presbyterian Church,

THURSDAY, April 13th, SCOTT CITY, Rev. Laverne Morris, Christian Church,

FRIDAY, April 14th, HAYS, Rev. W. E. Shuler, Methodist Church,

SATURDAY, April 15th

SUNDAY, April 16th, GREAT BEND, Rev. W. M. Roosa, Congregational Church,

MONDAY, April 17th, LYONS, Rev. L. O. Smith, Methodist Church,

MONDAY, April 18th, SALINA, Rev. L. V. Freeman, Christian Church

WEDNESDAY, April 19th, CONCORDIA, Rev. Arthur J. Aikens, Christian Church,

THURSDAY, April 20th, BELOIT, Rev. Meal Lovell, Christian Church,

FRIDAY, April 21st, BELLEVILLE, Rev. Monroe Miles, Christian Church,

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April 11, 1950

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Kirby Page c/o AFSC Wichita, Kansas

Dear Kirby:

I am looking forward to a glorious twelve days with you in Illinois and Wisconsin starting April 23. The schedule here keeps evolving and changing with cancellations and replacements with the whole thing showing from day to day that delightful uncertainty which makes life interesting.

Since my last report to you, we have had a cancellation from Freeport, without explanation but probably with some reference to your ideology; a definite date made for you at Monmouth, Illinois, and then cancelled on the basis of the storm raised in that town by the American Legion after your visit there in 1938; a cancellation of the temporary engagement for Eureka, Illinois; and an impossible set of conflicts in date which made the Springfield, Illinois, people decide not to follow through on April 27. The schedule is now revised and put together in the following manner:

Sunday, April 23 - Sterling, Illinois. Rev. Loyal Wilkinson, 1st Congregational Church Monday, April 24 - Chicago. Truman Kirkpatrick. (A last minute substitution just

decided on today to replace the Freeport cancellation.)

Tuesday, April 25 - Urbana, Illinois. Rev. Paul Burt, Wesley Foundation Wednesday, April 26 - LaSalle, Illinois, Rev. Allen Regan, Methodist Church Thursday, April 27 - (tentative) Oswego, Illinois. Rev. LaRoy Huntley Friday, April 28 - Lincoln, Illinois, Rev. J. T. Burns, 219 Pekin Street (single meeting)

Saturday, April 29 - Rest

Sunday, April 30 - Peoria, Illinois. Rev. Angus Hull, 214 N. University Monday, May 1 - Springfield, Illinois, Rev. Joseph Albrecht, 2406 N. Grand Ave., East (Also morning speech to Peoria Ministerial Association on May 1. Peoria and

Springfield are 71 miles apart.)
Tuesday, May 2 - Madison, Wisconsin. Russell Huhn, Baptist Student Center, 429 N. Park Wednesday, May 3 - Evanston, Illinois. Robert Beach, Garrett Biblical Institute Thursday, May 4 - Sycamore, Illinois. Rev. Wayne Leighty
Friday, May 5 - Belvidere, Illinois. Rev. Milo Vondracek

According to this schedule the approximate number of miles to be traveled between successive engagements is as follows: 118, 137, 112, 52, 135, 37, 73, 277, 143, 65, and 20. The really long jump is the Springfield to Madison one on Tuesday, May 2, approximately 277 miles. I trust you Californians (perhaps I should call you Texans) can take this hurdle in your stride. Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Truman Kirkpatrick

235 E. Holly Street Pasadena 1, California April 11, 1950

Dr. Kirby Page La Habra, California

Dear Dr. Page:

The Peace Education Committee of the Pasadena Church of the Brethren is planning a Peace Emphasis Month during May. The committee has asked me to write you regarding the possibility of your having an open Sunday evening (or perhaps two) during the month of May and your availability for a small group such as ours. (We would plan to advertise to the general public, thus hoping to get as large an audience as possible.)

If you could find it possible to be with us, we would appreciate the following information.

- 1. The dates you would have open for us during May.
- 2. The subjects of the addresses you would prefer to bring to us.
- 3. The possibility of your availability for two meetings the same evening, one at 6:00 and one at 7:00, in case we should get the youth group of our church to cooperate during their regular hour.
- 4. Your honorarium for each evening -- for one address, for two addresses.

We realize your schedule is very full and that this is a late date to approach you. However, we would be most happy if we could in some way fit into that schedule. We hope we can have an early reply, so we can proceed with plans as soon as possible.

It was nice to see Walt last week, and so nice to know that he and Mary will be Pasadenans again soon.

Very sincerely yours,

Olive H. Buntain, Chairman Peace Education Committee

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PHONE 6-1671

April 12, 1950

Dear Friend:

As a year and a half has passed since I left New York for the Southwest, I am sending this letter to a considerable number of my friends to inform them about my present position with the Desert Mission, a Presbyterian sponsored Community Health Center in Sunnyslope, ten miles north of Phoenix.

In September 1948, I resigned as Financial Secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation in New York City, so that Mrs. Hancox and I might benefit by the warm, dry climate of Arizona. We spent seven weeks in Tucson and then were invited to take the Superintendency of the Desert Mission, where we have since been enjoying our new home and the stimulating tasks found here.

The enclosed third quarterly number of the "Desert Highways" will give you a fairly complete idea of the varied programs we are covering and the new buildings and obligations we are entering into. Starting as a religious-health program for the tubercular families in the desert nearly thirty years ago, the Desert Mission now serves a large populated area north of the city with religious, medical, educational, social and recreational programs carried on by a staff of a score of people-nurses, teachers, recreational leaders, librarians and office and maintenance workers. Our financial budget is given in this quarterly as are some of our most pressing needs. To these present services we are adding a Convalescent Home this year for ambulatory patients needing nursing care and adequate food at modest fees.

A single story well illustrates the types of services we try to render to those coming here from every state in the Union. A family of nine from Missouri arrived here several years ago because the mother had arthritis. The five year old child has had heart trouble since birth; he was enrolled in our Day Nursery; his tonsils were removed in the surgical clinic; and later on an injury from a rusty nail required tetanus antitoxin and dressing in the Emergency Station. The seven and nine year old boys also had free tonsillectomies performed by our surgeon. The family received food and other relief from our welfare worker, and the children were given free recreational memberships. The meager earnings of the mother, plus temporary industrial compensation of \$60 for the father, were insufficient to pay for these charges, and so the work was done without any charge by the Mission's workers in the Clinic, Nursery, Welfare, and Recreational Departments.

We naturally would appreciate your interest and assistance in our work, though I know full well how many other prior obligations you already have. But, be that as it may, if you care to receive our quarterly publications and thus be kept informed about our plans and programs, I shall be glad to mail our literature to you. I need not say also how much I appreciate words from my friends, telling me about their interests and their changing responsibilities.

Cordially yours

H. F. Hancox Superintendent

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Elm Park Methodist Church

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655 tairnew av. Brooklyn 27. my. Kirby Page. La Haha, Calif. Dear Ser: Inclosed please fund 15 m com for which please Dend me bootlet - Porrer from The Bible . (If pleased will order in quantity.) Please know that ive have it of your books an my low - a young minutes (a Co. during war) and have worn these boshs down using them in church and society meetings for devotional 5 and presentation. Thank you

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Leoti, Kansas April 14, 1950

Rev. and Mrs. Kirby Page
American Friends Service Comm.
Friends University
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Reverend and Mrs. Page:

Thank you both so much for the lovely books which you left in our home yesterday morning. I am enclosing a little check as part payment for them. I am sure we shall benefit greatly from them as we read them. It was indeed a pleasure to meet both of you and to have you in our home.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Chris Rayberg

903 E. Citrus Ave., Redlands, Calif., April 16, 1950 My dear Brother Kirby:

When your new book arrived, I immediately had recollections of having offered you 50¢ at the table at the University Methodist Church when you told of its coming publication. Did you receive the 50¢, or not? You promised to send me a copy, and I'm sure I took out the coin, but am not sure you received it. Please let me know. I'm teaching a young adult class in this church and we've purchased 20 copies, in two bundles of ten each for distribution among the members of the class. May I venture one constructive criticism? We've just covered the first part. But I note you seem to deliberately avoid in the message of Jesus his interpretation of God as austere, as requiring suffering as a penalty for disobedience. Of course you mention something about the inevitability of reaping what is sown, but you do not say it ts a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the living God. You refer to the 23rd Psalm, but not the 23rd of Matthew. Why not? Sincerely,

Miami Shores Community Church

DONALD DOUDS, B. D., Minister



9823 N. E. 4th Ave.

Miami 38, Florida

April 17, 1950

Dr. Kirby Page La Habra, Cal.

Dear Dr. Page:

I want to thank you for speaking here last month. Your warm and gracious personality and your splendid message made a deep impression on us all which we shall long remember. And you were most kind and helpful to us in every way. It was a great treat for Mrs. Douds and my mother and I to have the pleasure of having you and Mrs. Page and Mr. Bell in our home. We certainly hope that we may see you more in the next few years.

Thank you for mailing the 15 copies of "The Creative Revolution of Jesus". A number of people spoke to me and said they wished copies but were unable for various reasons to get them the Sunday you were here. So they will be glad to get these. I have read the copy you gave us, and it is excelent.

We leave here May 15th and sail June 1st for England. We shall spend the summer in Europe; then in the fall, if all goes well, we hope to get to Palestine and on around the world. If you have any suggestions on things we should do, we would appreciate greatly having them.

Mrs. Douds and all our people join with me in sending you and Mrs. Page our warm best wishes. May God bless you in the fine work you are doing for Him and for peace.

You would not be interested, I suppose, in preaching here for a few months? We are looking for both a new minister and an interim pastor.

Cordially yours,

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Donald Douds

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Mr. Kirby Page Box 247 La Habra, California

My dear Kirby:

First, I want to thank you for sending me a complimentary copy of your "The Creative Revolution of Jesus; Then and Now." I want to refer to it later in this letter.

Second, I wish to order 100 copies of this publication. Ship as follows: 25 copies to Mr. S. V. Mattson, Secretary, Michigan Christian Missionary Society, 209 South Holmes Street, Lansing 12, Michigan and 75 copies to Sales Literature Section, The United Christian Missionary Society, 222 South Downey, Indianapolis 7, Indiana. Please bill the entire 100 copies to The United Christian Missionary Society.

I do not know what discount you can offer on this publication, but you will bear in mind that our Sales Literature section is a recognized book dealer and is entitled to the regular discounts of the trade.

Now back to my feeling about the book. You have touched on a subject which has long fascinated me. The Church in Judea and in the first and second centuries in the Roman Empire knew Jesus as a living breathing human figure who wrestled with critical problems that affected the lives of people and did so in the creative spirit of His Father. The church of the later Roman Empire, in Medieval Europe and still under Protestantism has made Jesus either a figure on a Cross or a distant and often unreal ethereal spirit. I have long wanted somebody to write a book for the average layman that would give a vivid picture of the world into which Jesus was born, the critical social, political and economic problems that perplexed the lives of people, and the proposals that various

groups in Palestine made for the solution of these problems. wanted that book to show how Jesus rejected the solutions of all of the parties of his time and taught that the only victory that men can have is the victory of love over hate, of good over bad, of right over wrong. In other words, I want to recapture what I think is the method and message of Jesus. You can understand why I was thrilled with what you have done. Mattson is going to use the book as background material for a series of addresses which I am to give over Labor Day week-end in an advanced young people's conference, which is in reality a young adult conference.

I wish you could keep me advised of your itinerary. We are holding a few conferences ourselves and it might be possible for us to find you near enough to have you in one of these meetings. I wish you might be at the International Convention at Oklahoma City, October 9-15, so that we might use you in some DPF after-meetings.

With best regards to yourself and Alma, I am

Cordially,

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ecutive Secretary

THE PARKER PEN COMPANY

220 POST STREET - SAN FRANCISCO 8, CALIFORNIA April 18, 1950

Mr. Kirby Page

Dear Mr. Page:

Time, in its constant flight, hasn't exactly edged its way along since many years ago when you were now and again one of my sleeping companions...back on an Iowa farm where you came to preach at Pleasant Hill from Drake University during your student days there. I was the scared rabbit of a boy who always drew the parlor bedroom when visitors came to spend the night with my family. You...though a college man at the time...as I recall, were inclined to the shy side as you delivered your maiden sermons as a means of "working your way through college"... and for practice and experience, I am sure...and also for the spiritual improvement of the farmers on "Tick Ridge."

You would get off of the train at a whistle stop known as "Bunch, Iowa," whereas the official railroad name of the train stop was Paris Station, Iowa. My Dad would meet you there in a surrey (and with the fringe on top!) and Mother would serve the kind of fried chicken that still makes my mouth water - and who still is.. to my notion. the world's best cook. (My wife is awfully good, too!)

It was around 1910 or 1912, if memory serves me, when you used to come there. The old church is still there...what is left of it...and the organ that my mother played as a girl is there too, but the organ and the building (and the old hitching post) are worn with age...unused and left alone to decay and rot away.

I get home a couple or three times a year and usually take a car and drive up there...and I was there last fall again with my sister, Lucille, and together we spent a quiet hour there...at Pleasant Hill. The old pulpit from where you preached is still there... broken and caved in by time and neglect...but the scenes of forty years ago came back to us as we thought back over the years. We named over a few of the "preachers" that we remembered...Dan Hastings, Ed Hastings, Huell Warren, Kirby Page and others. In

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our thoughts were the sadness of funerals, the happiness of the ice cream socials where Dad was always the clerk...the fellow who collected the money from the young swains. And what ice cream!!

The Priests got away from the farm-site...about a mile away from Pleasant Hill, as you may recall...in 1912 when Dad was elected Clerk of the District Court by the greatest majority on record in the county...we moved to town...to electric lights... inside plumbing and paved streets...and, as far as the children were concerned, to schools with modern conveniences.

I was baptized in the Christian Church in Bloomfield by Reverend George Purdy, whom you may remember, and I was going to go to Drake, too, but it didn't quite work out.

I went to Des Moines to attend the Iowa State Fair, as all Iowa farm boys do, and in the fall of 1917 I went to Des Moines to attend the Fair...or so I told my Dad...but what I was really interested in was joining the Student Army Training Corps at Drake University...to get into uniform...get \$30.00 a month...free education and a chance at a commission in the army...and to the front. I went out to Drake...and there wasn't a soul there that day. So I went out to Highland Park (Des Moines University) and the only man there...whom I met on the Administration, Building steps...was Doctor John A. Earl, President of the University. I told him my story, and to make a long story short I registered later I donned a uniform, but the war was over before I could win a commission, but meanwhile I got to be a rather frequent guest in the president's home because James Earl, the prexy's son, was in my squad and we became friends.

I spent four years there...never did get to go to Drake except to the relays, and by scrubbing the dining room floors and a few other odd jobs I got a fairly good idea of what college was all about. Mother had given me a Parker pen upon leaving home...and the day I left school I applied to the Parker Pen Company for a job and here I am still with the firm...for nearly 30 years. I have been almost everywhere and I have done a great many things, and with ap-

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propriate modesty I might add that I could have been at a higher echelon had I not declined, but the Golden West has always held me firmly and whatever the honor or how tall the money pile I couldn't seem to be tempted, and so here I am the Western Division Manager for the company...Denver west - 220 Post Street, San Francisco.

I have thought of you often through the years...have read some of your books...have Seen you written up...have meant to hear you talk, but somehow I would be catching a train or my plans wouldn't quite dove-tail. I am sorry I haven't taken the time to write you before or to remain over long enough in a certain place somewhere to shake your hand...to congratulate you...to renew an old acquaint-ance. I have known many people who have also known you, and many is the time I have had the urge to write you...it didn't happen. Time would roll on - and so it goes.

This past week Mr. Robert Burns, President of the College of the Pacific, paid me a visit at our office, with a former Methodist Minister who happened to be from Ottumwa, Iowa (about 20 miles from Pleasant Hill). We talked about many things and many people...this Minister from Ottumwa and I...then I told him of my experiences there as a farm boy and mentioned your name...and then the conversation really started. Mr. Burns said he knew you and your son-in-law. To make a long story short I asked for your address...and now this letter.

May I congratulate you upon your great success in life...for the great contribution you have made along the line to so many people everywhere. And it goes without saying, I am proud to have been the little shaver who can say now..."Kirby Page slept at our house and I was his room-mate."

Yours sincerely,

Carl E. Priest gm

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA 3601 LOCUST STREET PHILADELPHIA-4, PA.

April 21 1950

Dear Kirby Page:

Enclosed is one dollar.

I placed the books'The will of God' on a special table this week and sold them for fifty cents. Two have been sold..money enclosed.

If I sell others of the 12 remaining I
will send money on to you. If not then at the close
of school shall I give them to students? There is
so much good material therein that ought to be used...

More power to you.

Sincerely,

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American Friends Service Committee

Twenty South Twelfth Street
Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania

Telephone, RITTENHOUSE 6-9372

April 21, 1950

Kirby Page P.O. Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Kirby:

Thanks very much for your suggestion regarding a full-time Race Relations Secretary to work out of our Greensboro Office. I like the idea and agree that a Southern churchman would be the best kind of person to use in this work.

As you know, we are especially interested in strengthening and further developing our work in the South. Up to the present we have been thinking that the addition of a College Secretary ought to have first priority. We do not have any college representation in that region, and we are particularly anxious to draw more Negro college students into our AFSC programs. Such a secretary would also be very helpful in locating outstanding candidates for responsible positions which are uncovered by our Job Opportunities staff.

Your letter suggests somewhat different orientation for the next staff member although you do suggest that one of his functions would be recruiting candidates for various AFSC projects. We will certainly discuss your suggestions among our staff here and later with Tartt Bell.

Many thanks for your continued interest.

Sincerely.

Stephen G. Cary Secretary

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RETIRED MINISTER

THE METHODIST CHURCH

My dear Brother Kirby Page:

Some days ago, I wrote you a postal card telling you my church school class had obtained 20 copies of your book on the creative revolution of Jesus; soliciting your opinion, and so forth. I'm not able to do much writing, but I would like to take this occasion — upon reading the current issue of The Christian Century — to ask something more: How can you give your support to this journal and its editorial policies? And perhaps to make a criticism.

Will you permit me to recall that, when you were in our home for lunch about two years or more ago, you told meritaltiely of us at the table) that world government was not of great importance, that the important thing was disarmament! We discussed it for half an hour as I recall. I said disarmament couldn't come until it came through organized action by the nations and when we had such organized action, it would mean world government had come. When you were at the Redlands University Church, I noted a very much more (to me) intelligent attitude on the matter of world government; and I'm glad to acknowledge it. There are so many fine things that you say and do that I'm loathe to even mention anything else.

But I would like to make my feeble comment along lines which I feel might be of real value to your ministry, if you will think it over. To be brutally frank, I think you are doing much to stimulate and maintain individual and national hatred of Russia. While on the one hand you say that God loves the Russians (as He did the Romans in Jesus' day), and that we should pray for them and do them good, yet on the other hand I doubt if any person could hear the recounting of all the badness of the Russians that you constantly engage in without having the feeling that they should be destroyed; that is, unless they are able to take your essential and spiritual attitude. Do you imagine that the typical church group would follow you in doing good to Russia? You are tragically mistaken if you do, in my humble opinion. You have contact with the holiest and most intelligent of the churches; others do not consider going out to listen to you, at least not more than once. But these -- the best of the church people -- would no more adhere to your advice than they would fly to the moon. And there are precious few of them that would even hear your advice, taking the church membership by and large. The net result, therefore, of things you so eloquently preach, I'm sure, is: Carthage must be destroyed! I mean Russia of course. That seems to me to be the tragedy of the Socialists, generally, and one reason I'm not a member of the Socialist party. I admire Norman Thomas for many, wonderful things; but he and the rest of the good Socialists have most assuredly done a lion's share in every land to produce the present frightful impasse in world affairs! As I mentioned in my postal card, God will make us pay the last farthing; we dwell on the 23rd Psalm but never seem to see the 23rd of Matthew. And I am sad beyond words that your net discourses about Russia produce among your hearers (and I'm discussing your book with some of them every Sunday, some also who heard you speak Monday after Monday in Redlands), are discourses productive of hate. When you mentioned Jerome Davis' reply to your letter of protest andicating that he had said there were enough people damning Russia not to fill his book with more damnation, I know of four people who heard you who felt an inner sinking at your reply and observation about Dr. Davis' attempt to let people see the other side.

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Naturally, you don't approve of the Russian concentration camps, or the total plan and practice of dictatorship and suppression, and other things. Would it not be enough, taking the total view and the perspective view, to merely say so and not give so very much of your time to doing exactly what the warmongers and the hate-mongers do all the time? Could this friendly criticism from me conceivably be a voice of the Spirit of God? I'm no more a Communist than you are. But I suffer greatly as and when I contemplate how much hate you produce, unwittingly, of course, but none the lass certainly. And, if you take the total effect of the Socialists everywhere, what else can you say but that they are deadly in their dealings with the Russians. O, yes, it is easy to say "in their dealings with the Kremlin," but the Russians are the people who will get the bombs and the germs as the net result of the Socialists' bitter hatred of the Communists. Just where does the Christly Kirby Page stand in this picture? Just where in this setting - in the total setting which will be seen in perspective 100 years from now, if we do survive -- will Norman Thomas be placed? It is something to think about. Anti-Communism is about the major if not the complete theme of some of our best people. How would Jesus preach? What can you tabulate that He said against the Romans? You want to get back to the revolutionary times of Jesus, as a base from which to give your sermons for Now, Kirby, my dear Brother, just what are the lists of the bad things Jesus told about the Romans? Bad as they were, can you enumerate any? Your preaching would be far more effective if you would emulate Jesus, today! God is surely going to hold us responsible - the Socialists, yourself, all others who drum up hatred -- by making the innocent as well as the guilty pay with the consequences of sewing these dragon's teeth of hatred, everywhere, all the time.

> Then, as I started to say about The Christian Century, just look at its endorsement of John Foster Dulles. Working with him in the commission of the Federal Council on a just and durable peace, Mark Dawber is reported to have called him "the most dangerous man in America." While he denies he said it, others claim to have heard him; and I suspect he said it all right. Because it is so obviously so, except to the Socialists on the one hand and the extreme right wing groups on the other. Dulles told me, himself, he had practically no use for the c hurch, throughout many years. Then, realizing that the offered an open door to public opinion, he took advantage of getting his leadership felt through the churches. For the most part, I estimate the church leadership about like Jesus did the religious leadership of His day; so you can imagine that these sychophants were most flattered and delighted at the patronage of Mr. Dulles, the prince, the wealthy, highly respectable, exceedingly shrewd, most elegant gentleman! When the Federal Council had up the question of ethical judgment on first use of the bomb, it was Mr. Dulles who prevented the churchmen from saying it was wrong to commit wholesale murder. When the question of world government is up, it is Mr. Dulles, who with his winning personality and his legal cunning, prevents action, favorable action. When easing up on the cold war, especially in respect to Berlin, a broached, Mr. Dulles san America would do well to keep up its fear and hate, that the tension should not be lifted. When the military alliance of the Atlantic Past was being considered by the church leaders a few months ago, Mr. Dulles dominated the conference and defeated any ethical judgment. He writes me he believes in peace. He says so everywhere, and in the most convincing language. He is very largely responsible for the American get tough policy from its outset. Do you dream, Kirby, that Mr. Dulles would follow you and your ideas even from afar? If so, you are sadly mistaken. Then, why do you approve The Christian Century, and the other Socialists who fawn on Mr. Dulles? This journal, with you and Norman Thomas, is doing its fair and fruitful share of breeding hate, even to the point of anti-Semitism. Yet you like it. Mr. Dulles might agree with you that he is indispensible to God; and that God loves him very much indeed, that he is to be the savior of America and the world if God has His way (to go fatther than you would go I feel sure!) and if The Christian Century has its way, but Mr. Dulles will never "do good" to Russia. He will do his great part to wipe them off the face of the earth, at any cost. I'm not worth the time and trouble it would take to reply to this, but God is!

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Dr. Kirby rage La Habra California

Dear Dr. Page:

Would you do us kindly the great favor of sending us an autographed copy of your new 62 page book entitled THE CREATIVE REVOLUTION OF JESUS THEN AND NOW. We will certainly appreciate this favor with all our hearts, as we are gathering here in this great Discipliana collection for the permanent use of scholarship all the books of Disciples of Christ just as far as we can obtain them.

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Thanking you in advance for this very helpful courtesy; I remain

Yours sincerely,

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AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE AREA OFFICE

DES MOINES TO, IOWA

1116 East University Ave (16)

TO: Kirby Page

DATE: April 27, 1950

RE: Tour in DMRO

FROM: Walter A. McCleneghan

The enclosed schedule is on its air mail way to La Habra, as you requested.

I am sorry not to be sending it you earlier. I do not think I have ever had so many cancellations or changes as in the past two or three weeks. Still have two uncertain dates, besides the last three days, at the final end.

Lawrence Scott, my associate in Kansas City, is putting on the annual Institute of International Relations, May 10 to 13. I have told him I would make the tour with you, leaving him free for the Institute work. That has been my plan and purpose — for sake of my getting better acquainted with Missourians rather than for any need you have of my being along!

Since receiving a letter from Herman Will, Jr, Administrative Asst to Charlie Boss, yesterday, however, I have been reconsidering somewhat. He wants me to be a leader at the Northcentral Regional Youth Leadership Conference at Clear Lake, Iowa, right after our Youth Conference on World Affairs at Boone (June 17 to 24), where I am also to serve on faculty. Herman suggests that if I can go to the Detroit Conference on The Church and War, he thinks he could secure accreditation as a Methodist delegate. I am inclined to think the value of it, both in participation in the Conference itself and also in the background for other peace activity, may outweigh the tour contacts for the time affected. I would be glad to have your judgment on it, if you care to express it, as you have a broader perspective on it.

I am planning to attend the Chicago "Mid-Century Conference" on May 29 and 30, if it seems possible.

Today's mail brought your proposals regarding arrangements for the next year. It sounds splendid and exciting. Is your health that much improved to permit the prospectively heavier schedule? Or are you figuring that the growing crisis demands more than we would otherwise feel it possible to undertake?

My warm regards to you both. I'm looking forward to your coming with eagerness.

Walter

My greetings to Truman.

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April 27, 1950 To: Kirby Page FROM: Walter A. McCleneghan Walter RE: Your itinerary in Des Moines Region Sun May 7 Antioch Community Church (3 p.m.) Rev. Carl Burkhardt (same address) North Kansas City, Mo Probably in Kansas City (St. Jo just cancelled) Eve Mon May 8 Still indofinite Dawn, Mo Rev. Thus. Rebhorn, Baptist Ch Tue May 9 Fulton, Mo 1 p.m. Luncheon: Council Church Women Rev. Stuart Currie Court St. Meth Church. 1st Pres. Church 8 p.m. Swope Chapel, Westminster College Wed May 10 Higginsville, Mo Salem Ev & Ref Church Rev Theodore Hauck 1500 Walnut St Thu May 11 Sedalia, Mo 3 p.m First Methodist Church Rev. Glen Lindley 8 p.m. Fifth and Osage Sts. 814 West Fifth St Fri May 12 Oskaloosa, Ia. Wm. Penn College Chapel (?) Rev. Lela Gordon Friends Meeting, Oskaloosa, Ia San May 14 Fredericksburg, Ia Ch. of the Brethren Rev. Dean L. Farringer Church of the Brethren 2:30 p.m. Still open Cedar Falls Rev. H. F. Temple Eve Mon May 15 Lake City, Ia Woodlawn Church of Christ Rev. M. J. Votruba Tue May 16 Mt. Vernon, Ia 8 p.m. Robt. V. Smith, Dir. Rel. Act-Wed May 17 " " a.m. Cornell College Chapel ivities, Cornell College Wed May 17 Eve Still open Thurs. 18 REST DAY Fri May 19 Iowa City 3:00 - 5 Peace Rd Table Unitarian Ch Rs Sat May 20(to Noon) 6 p.m. YM Annual Banquet-First Meth. Ralph Schloming, Univ. YMCA Iowa Memorial Union, Iowa Cit Sun May 21 4;5:30 & 7:30 Sioux Falls, S.D. 1st Meth. Ch. Rev. Paul F. Davis So. Dist. Youth and Yg Adults 12th St at Spring Ave Rev. Wm. E. Shields Mon May 22 Faribault, Minn. First Meth. Church 40h N.W. Third St Tue May 23 Northfield, Minn. Carleton and St. Olaf colleges Rev. Kenneth M. Martin and local churches Congregational Church

End of Tour

Wed May 24 Still unsettled

Thu May 25

Fri May 26

BOX 2554 TERMINAL ANNEX LOS ANGELES 54, CALIFORNIA U.S. A april 28, 1950 OLa Halra Colf Dean Friend: -I have secewed the vital literature you sent me and gracefully appreciate its economic al availabelity. I hope to contact most of The Los angeles churches and their menesters by mail before may Ith and if you can spore about 2000 of those blue ad is leating pamphlets and prices, I should leke te enclose them in my mail erg pieces which will call alt entern to the presence of Rufus museley in our locality and en-Clude his 3 tracts which I am privileged to publish. Thanking God for your land your graceful brother in Him John Rippey

Dear Friends:

In this life we know not the day nor the hour in which a great change comes, One goes along busy and contented with plans mapped out for the future, when out of the distance comes a call to come over into Macedonia. In the Wyker case the new work will be rural church extension in the Bible College, on the state university campus, Columbia, No. The school has been written up of late in farm papers because of the unique rural church extension which Rev. Gene Wetherall has been doing. The University accepts up to 26 hours from the Bible college on a B. S. However there is no legal connection between the two schools. In recent years the Ag college, along with farm agencies and leaders, has persuaded the Bible college to institute graduate work with 30 hours leading to a Master of Rural church degree. Dean Seth W. Slaughter formerly at Drake, is the new dean and has charge of the graduate work

As you would expect, my job will be to help local charches do better service, aid communities in cooperation, and help prepare minsters to do a better job. Hossie seems to be as much interested in the job as I am, and says that she will tell about it if I will do the research and organization. I do trust that we can magnify the Master in terms of rural communities and pastors who are seeking for a total Gospel. This work is in the making but it includes the following service areas: Assistance

pastors who are seeking for a total Gospel. This work is in the making but it includes the following service areas: Assistance to rural churches which want to serve their communities better; training of leadership through short schools; seminars for ministers; close co-ordination of the Bible college with the educational program of the farm organizations; special service to the "Heart" side of 4-H and Vo Ag; enlistment of rural ministry. This work would seem to be a logical outgrowth of our thirteen years in the rural ministry, five years in education and organization with Farm Bureau, and the last two years with CROP. It appears that the job was made for us and Dean Slaughter says we were made for the job. May experi-

ence bear out this supposition. The Bible college thinks it is the only rural seminary in the United States. Of course, others are doing excellent rural training. Perhaps none other has such a comprehensive rural scope of service. Some of its particular points of interest are: It is multi-denominational in its faculty, Board, student body, finance and rural outreach; it is integrated with the U of M in much the same manner as the Ag college or the Vet college, which is much more than being "adjacent to" a state university; four people on the staff will give major attention to rural church life; the internship of the student body is actual "extension", not just ministerial placement; it offers an M. A. in Rural Church which means 30 hours of graduate work on top of the University B. S. (which included 26 hours of Seminary work); the administration is definitely challenging professed leaders of rural life, those in farm organizations and Friends of the Land, to help secure the funds with which to expand this college dedicated to serving the country church and

You may be interested in some of my own thinking about this rural church extension. The church is belatedly applying the scientific, educational, demonstration process

4-28-50 lt. Vernon, Ohio to its task. Too long it has been a slave to outwork tradition, futile division and tragic self-centeredness. It is the business of the Bible college to counsel the churches and train the clergy to enlive total community with religion.

Lets liken the agencies in communities, to a caravan of ships, in which the fastest ships must advance at the same rate as the slowest. The rural church is moving at horse speed, in a horse vehicle, with a horse driver, while other rural agencies,-farm, education, health,-are adopting more effective ideas and ways How far would agricultural extension get without research, experimentation and education? What could health do without study, testing and practice? Education seeks facts that are verifiable in experience, and uses methods that fit known values. Yet these community agencies can not make desirable progress, because one agency in the caravan, - the church, is traveling so slow. Consequently, we find the leaders of these sister agencies are promoting rural church conferences and schools, in order to develop leadership, discover a rural philosophy of religion, and determine methods, which will be as adequate in the field of religion, as science, education and organization are in their own fields. Some of these rural leaders, in the so-called secular callings believe that no community can rise above its Christianity. Health, farming, education and all other agencies must build on the foundation of community ideals and social culture, and it is the business of religion to provide this core of community life. This is the argument for having a Bible college in the heart of a state university, but the Bible college must take upon itself, to provide as high scholarship, as able personalities, as practical equipment, as is to be found in the other colleges on the campus. horse and buggy days are gone!

As I understand the job of the Bible college, the staff should be available to any rural community which wants to build its church program on the needs of the people and the agencies therein. This will require local survey or supervised study by the people themselves. When these facts have been tabulated and interpreted, by the assistance of the Bible college and probably the department of rural sociology, the next step is to help the community evolve a church and community program which is geared to the revealed need. It will reach the last family in the community in its objectives, and it will endeavor to bring Christian influence into the life of community agencies, as well as individuals,-for persons who are "saved" in a vacuum, can be easily "lost" in the whirl of the economic or social mass. The Bible collogo should have a graduate who has had chough extensive training to serve each of these evolving religious communities during decades to come. Such leadership will insure success, rather than disappointment within communities where churches federate, -- And such communities will insure opportunity for consecrated young rural pastors who want to cast their lives with the nursery, rather than the grave-

yard of society.

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

April 28, 1950

Dr. and Mrs. Edward C. Bixler P. O. Box 157
New Windsor, Maryland

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Bixler:

This little note is just to tell you that I am most appreciative of your good letter, with the concern you express about matters close to our hearts.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing the text of two statements I have made recently which I believe you will find express fully my views on problems to which you refer.

As you may be aware, Senator Kilgore's minority report on Displaced Persons legislation, in which I joined, was substantially the bill which passed the Senate.

The generous sentiments you express mean much to me, especially in these hectic days, and I hope I shall prove more worthy of them. With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Frank P. Graham

Enclosures Dear Brother Page: - A was

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The Kingdom Way. I thought I would like you to read these ties specakes he sent we and perhaps a few lines from you would tell hum to thunk stranguler. I just couldn't unagine him voting for the allentic Party he ded. I also just received the Euclosed World Citisenship material and I'm interested but do your understand how there delegalle are to be chosen for the Peoples' Dorld Convention? I want your acid your wife to be dele gales. It depends upon who represents the Seaple whether. aughering more hopeful amerges DEEp gostitude to God Job your Blessel. Lives - margaret & Beiler Don't return any of This!

On Tour April 29, 1950

Urbana-Tincoln hotel

GORDON F. KAMERER, MANAGER

you will doubtless talk with other delegates about the possibility of arranging series of meetings in various communities throughout the country. I am therefore sending carbons of letters sent to Homer Coppeck and Red Schaal.

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In January and February, Bob arranged series for me in ten communities in Southern California. I went to the same city on few successive Sundays, Mondays, etc., and spoke twice each night, a total of eight addresses in each of ten cities. The tesults were so satisfactory that this fall Bob is planning series of four successive weeks in eighteen cities during twelve weeks. Attendance increased from week to week, and the total financial return in cash and pledges to the AFSC exceeded \$4,000 from the ten places.

With vigorous cooperation from the various peace agencies, similar series might well be held all over the United States.

Cordially.

action and characters, the production notes by Val Gielgud, and the complete cast of each play are supplementary features that will help make the book even more valuable in America. Particularly good are the notes on each play.

No other dramatic sequence has covered all of this material. There are many ways in which it can be used. It can be an effective text for part reading by a group of students. It can be done as a walking rehearsal, or after having secured permission, short scenes can be given from the plays. The dialogue in each case is contemporary and the great value of the dramatic form is that the episodes actually come alive and have remarkable relevance for our present day.

These plays together with Miss Sayers' so-called "sacred plays" are a distinct addition to the whole field of drama in the church. We are also indebted to her for literary, dramatic material that will enhance the subject matter and give us for the first time a delightfully new approach to the life of Jesus.

Signs of Hope in a Century of Despair by Elton Trueblood, Harper and Brothers, \$1.

In the January issue of motive we were privileged to print the fourth chapter of Dr. Trueblood's new book. Perhaps the fact that the magazine printed a chapter from the book not only is evidence of our belief in it, but it means still more that we are particularly eager to have our readers know it. Those who read the chapter on lay religion as one of the emerging signs of hope in our present century will want to read the other four chapters of the book. Seldom has Dr. Trueblood done anything better than the first chapter titled Half Past Nineteen Hundred. In the last chapter on the growth of redemptive societies he continues his discussion of the group movements that are definite signs of hope in the whole religious scene. His Alternative to Futility was in a real sense an elaboration of this idea. This is another addition to Dr. Trueblood's growing library of small, readable books that make religion understandable and attractive although not easy for our present generation.

Toward the Goal Supreme by Swami Virajananda, Harpers, \$2.

Within the covers of this small book of 155 pages, Swami Virajananda has outlined a method of attaining spiritual experience. The book is more than suggestive in that it lays out the conditions by which a truly spiritual experience can be attained. There is no compromise. Its emphasis upon spiritual practice, "worth more," says the author, "than a ton of theology," is refreshing in these days of rationalization and halfway measures. Many truths are accentuated, and they are particularly

pertinent to the person seeking to live religiously at the present time. Finding God is not a completed thing. It is not a matter of being saved once and for all. It is a process never finished. We cannot know God completely. God is revealed constantly, and especially through the great souls in whom this revelation has been apparent.

The Swami's insistence that meditation and prayer are continuous processes is again one of the insights of this little book. He insists that we can't take a little medicine and hope that it will affect the whole of life, nor can we indulge in prayer and meditation for fifteen minutes a day and expect that our religious living is complete. Power grows in practice, through spiritual exercise and discipline.

There are compelling and charming passages in the book which ends upon a note of complete giving up that will bring happiness. "Be like the bee," says Virajananda, "that sits on flowers and sucks honey, not like the fly that sits on sores and filth." The fly never fertilizes anything. This is a book to read and reread, to ponder, to use in cell groups and to come back to again and again for the standard that it holds up.

Reason, Religion and Race by Robert B. Eleazer, Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, Nashville, 75 cents.

This is a book which comes into the "at last we have it" class. For a long time now, Americans have needed to look seriously at the whole problem of our getting along together as citizens and as persons of various backgrounds and nationalities. A common purpose will sometimes unify disrupted groups, but in America we have more often than not lost the common purpose in the selfishness of our acquisitive living. Mr. Eleazer has brought both reason and religion to bear on the distressing misunderstandings and hostilities which exist in the tension areas of our common living process. This little book is a very fine light on the roots of our interracial distrust, what religion has to say about this subject and the practical way in which people of other races and cultures can be appreciated in the civilization we have. Mr. Eleazer does not dodge facts, nor does he gloss them over with the sentimentalism or rationalization or "not too quick" changes of which most of us are guilty. A long experience in this area, an admirable perspective on the problem and, most important of all, a practical application of Christian principles have brought Mr. Eleazer into a position of authority where he can face the facts and illuminate situations which must be changed. This is the book that students have been looking for. Its analysis is keen, its judgments are sound and its conclusions need to be heeded. It is in every way an admirable guide to understanding and action, both of which are necessary if America is to tackle

in any intelligent way its greatest single problem, and if democracy is to stand against the changing political systems that are threatening in their immediacy.

Introduction to the Devout Life by St. Francis de Sales. Translated and edited by John K. Ryan. Harpers, New York, \$3.

A ranking religious classic is rendered into modern English by Monsignor Ryan. Since its first publication in 1609. the three stages of the good life have been the way to the devout life. This is no easy text, no compromising way. Those who take its admonitions seriously are sure to find the need for constant attention to the fourth section of the book and to its final part which will help the novitiate find himself in the rigorous discipline that must be his if he is to achieve the devout life. This is no book for the haphazard Christian. It is a book of absolutes, solid stuff, not to be tasted and enjoyed, but to be chewed and digested.

The Creative Revolution of Jesus: Then and Now by Kirby Page, published by the author, La Habra, California, 50 cents.

When one looks over the long list of books published by Kirby Page, he comes to a new one almost with misgivings. How pleasant it is, therefore, that this particular brochure should be so fresh, so pertinent and so timely. As Kirby Page grows older and matures in his own religious living against the crisis periods of this generation, he becomes more incisive, more positive and at the same time more effective in every way. The revolution connected with Jesus is first analyzed in the world in which he lived. His experiences with God, his messages about God, and his estimate of human nature are rather concise theology put in words that any man can understand. Against this is pictured Jesus' program of action and his crucifixion. The second part of the book deals with the revolutionary situation which we face. What will happen if we take Jesus seriously in world affairs, race relations, economic life, democracy, the church and the individual?

Here is a book that is designed for student and adult reading. It is another book that will be unusually effective for cell groups, for discussion groups and for individual reading. It is, perhaps, one of the most effective shorter statements on Jesus in the present large number of publications that are coming out on this revolutionary personality. The way of Jesus, as Kirby Page so well points out, is the way of the cross if it is taken seriously, but it is also the way to abundant life and to happiness.

Memorial Baptist Church_BEALL AND CHARLES STS.-FROSTBURG, MARYLAND

MINISTER'S STUDY

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Dear Kirby:

Enclosed herewith is \$.50 in stamps.

Dlease send me a copy of your latest

book, "The Creative Revolution of Jesus: Then

and your". Yindly inscribe it for me.

Also, did you write anything else

during 1949? In 1948? Anything at all

printed or published? If so, do send along

everything that came from your pen during

those years, letting me know as to the

cost of such.

Whanks much, and heartiest

best-wishes across the miles!

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620 E. anwersty Worster Ohis Pd. 609 2, 1950 Dr Kirly Puge La Habra Calif. Dear Friend: Enclosed please and sixly cents in stamps for which will you thindly send me acopy of your very fine book " The Creative Revolution of y gesna: Then and now" to the above address - Thank you It is years since I send you. I think it was on the tour to Europe in 1927. as you know I have beening China teaching in three universities and lost year I preached in 126 schools in China and the philippines to over (00,000) students, at our mutigo, we had over 5000 decisions over 3000 to re-think what it means to be a Christian 2000 to become Christians and over 300 to go into full time church work. I don't think I cam get back into China and I would like to give some time to directly peace work. Kirly one could work know of a peace orgunagetion forhal supplement a small pension. I am 62 years old and since begt 1949 I have believed in over 40 colleges in the MS a- on world Conditions. Did bless you in your great work I sow for Eddy in china that year. Best wishes Smeenely Town Stanton Landenschleger

SIDNEY D. GAMBLE 347 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

May 2, 1950

Mr. Kirby Page Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Kirby:

Thank you for your latest publication booklet - "The Creative Revolution of Jesus". It's good to see that you are keeping up your program and adding to your long list of publications. I have enjoyed looking it through and note how you bring your message up to date. The present world situation certainly gives you plenty of material to work with.

I presume you heard that Sherwood is taking his Seminar to Europe this summer. He had planned to do it next year but had no difficulty in getting a group together when the Cunard came up with an offer of 50 berths on the Queen Mary sailing June 23rd. What a man to take on such a job at 791 I only hope that he has a good No. 1 Coolie to handle the many details. Wouldn't you love to hear him give, again, his lecture on British Manners and Customs?

I have been carrying on a reduced program this year as the MD only lets me come in four days a week. The situation in China has helped to reduce my activity in that field, as, of course, practically all the programs of American help are being drastically reduced. The China Colleges and our Princeton Yenching, however, are being able to carry on in good order.

Our family interest is shifting somewhat from China to India as Cathie and her husband are in India doing research work for the Institute of Pacific Relations and having a wonderfully interesting experience studying the political developments out there. There were in on the American-Indian IPR Conference last December and will probably be Coolies for the International IPR Conference next October. They have been very successful in contacting and getting information from a great many interesting people, both Indian and foreign, and of course have had an experience that the oriental situation makes possible, of meeting all sorts of people from the top ranking officials on down.

Next month we will be at Mount Holyoke for our second daughter's graduation. The family certainly grows up!

When are you going to include New York in your peregrinations? It would be good to see you and have a good visit.

Sincerely yours,

SDG:gs

Pirst Methodist Church of San Luis Obispo, California

PACIFIC AND MORRO TELEPHONE 2364-W

GILBERT S. ZIMMERMAN, MINISTER

May 3, 1950

Dr. Kirby Page La Habra, California

Dear Kirby:

Your letter from Garden City arrived with the only other letter from Garden City I have ever received, commending two of his people to the fellowship of this church since they have moved.

Bob Vogel was in town last week, arranging for a series of meetings in this area, and we indicated our interest and enthusiasm for same. We hope that we may hold it in our church, but nothing has been decided as yet. We have a live and vibrant liberal element in this community, and I am sure the meetings will be well supported. We will probably be able to schedule you for a few addresses at Cal Poly as well.

I am looking forward to seeing you then.

Cordially yours,

Gil Zimmerman

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Mirst Christian Church

OFFICE 8-1693 - PARLOR 8-1685 THIRTEENTH STREET AND DULUTH AVENUE SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA

May 3, 1950

Kirby Page Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Mr. Page,

I am happy that you are to be in Sioux Falls for an Interdenominational Youth meeting, on Sunday, May 21st. The young people are looking forward to this meeting. We are just really getting started on constructive cooperative work with the young people here. Your meeting will be a real step forward.

It would give me a great deal of pleasure to have you fill the pulpit for me that Sunday morning. If you will be in Sioux Falls by Sunday morning, and if you have not already been invited to speak in one of the other Churches, we will be expecting to have the pleasure of hearing you.

Please let me know as soon as possible, so that adequate announcement can be made. I am just now reading your new book, "The Creative Revolution of Jesus: Them and Now", and find it Trusting that you will be able very stimulating and helpful. to be with us for our 10:50 A. M. Worship Service, I am, your & Olmsted

Sincerely,

gathering of the World Council of Churches pointed to three possible Christian positions on war:

- There are those who hold that, even though entering a war may be a Christian's duty in particular circumstances, modern warfare, with its mass destruction, can never be an act of justice.
- 2. In the absence of impartial supranational institutions, there are those who hold that military action is the ultimate sanction of the rule of law, and that citizens must be distinctly taught that it is their duty to defend the law by force if necessary.
- Others, again, refuse military service of all kinds, convinced that an absolute witness against war and for peace is for them the will of God, and they desire that the church should speak to the same effect.

A substantial number of Christians, in several-score communions, assert that only as the Church explores, defines, and accepts this third alternative from Amsterdam will she confront the modern world with her full witness. They have united in a thorough study program across the nation, leading up to a delegated conference of 500, with a host of observers and visitors, at Detroit, Michigan, May 8-11, 1950. A dozen thoughtful preparatory papers have been written on the theological background, the political and social program, and the day-to-day practical expression of Christian peace action, for consideration by all delegates. As this Conference on the Church and War brings forth its Message (to the Church itself and the world about it), and its Findings (for those within the peace movement of the Church), it can set a historic milestone.

WHO SETS UP THE CONFERENCE?

The 500 conference members are delegated by peace and pacifist groups in Baptist, Brethren, Congregational Christian, Disciples, Episcopal, Evangelical and Reformed, Friends, Lutheran, Mennonite, Methodist, New Church, Presbyterian, Unitarian, and other communions, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, and peace groups in Canada.

WHO IS ASKED TO COME?

Because this is a delegated conference, each of the sponsoring peace groups has agreed upon quotas suggested by the Planning Committee, the total of voting members coming to 500. However, an unrestricted number of observers and visitors are welcome. Several voting members from any denomination not having a fellowship or agency representing the peace concern may also be accredited by the Planning Committee, upon writing to the Conference Executive to that effect. Men or women wishing to come as voting representatives from their denominational peace or pacifist group should get in touch with the leaders of that group to be considered for appointment. No delegate travel expense can be borne by the Conference, but must be handled by delegates themselves, their peace fellowship, parish, or other agency. Those wishing to come as observers or visitors should write to the Conference Executive for pre-registration, or plan to register at the Conference.

WHERE, WHEN, WHAT COST?

Conference group sessions are at Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan, and delegates are to be housed at the Tuller Hotel nearby, where reservation of 500 rooms has been made. As delegates are appointed, the Hotel will send an individual reservation card with a choice of reasonable rates, to each person, covering the three nights' stay.

The Conference begins at 7:30 p.m. on May 8, 1950, and ends in mid-afternoon on May 11—Monday evening through Thursday afternoon.

Registration for delegates, payable either in advance or at the Conference, is \$2.00. Observer and visitor registration, payable at the Conference, is necessary after the opening service: it is also \$2.00.

WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE?

With Albert Edward Day as Chairman, and J. Henry Carpenter as Treasurer, the membership of the National Committee is as follows: (those also members of the Planning Committee are starred*)

Frederick W. Backemeyer Roland H. Bainton David D. Baker John W. Beardslee, Jr. Dean Harold S. Bender *Gustave J. Bischof Dean Harold A. Bosley Harold Leonard Bowman Paul H. Bowman President Rufus D. Bowman Bishop Charles W. Brashares Howard H. Brinton George A. Buttrick

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INQUIRIES

The Conference Executive is Rev. George M. Houser, who is to be addressed at the Conference Office, 252 Fulton Street, Brooklyn 1, N. Y. His telephone is LOrraine 8-8200. Checks are to be drawn to J. Henry Carpenter, Treasurer, and sent to the same address.

Again Bonhoeffer:

"We want to give the world a whole Word, not a half word—a courageous Word, a Christian Word. We pray that this Word may be given us, today...."





A CONFERENCE ON THE CHURCH AND WAR May 8-11, 1950 in Detroit

FOR A HISTORIC CONFERENCE

"Why do we fear the fury of the world powers?" cried Dietrich Bonhoeffer. "Why don't we take the power from them and give it back to Christ... so that the peoples will rejoice because the Church of Christ in the name of Christ has taken the weapons from the hands of their sons, forbidden war, and proclaimed the peace of Christ.... The trumpets of war may blow tomorrow. For what are we waiting?"

Millions outside the Church and inside it are looking for a clear contemporary statement of what Christian peace action is, amid the complexity, guilt, and cynicism of society. "The churches are finding it hard to offer leadership," the Christian Century agreed as 1950 began, "because they cannot answer such underlying questions as: Can there be a just war under modern conditions?" If a Conference on the Church and War approaches this problem with deep dedication to the Gospel, with thorough, broad thinking on the basis of Christian presuppositions, and with courage to speak in the Church and for the Church, it may respond significantly to the demand of God in this generation.

What does the Church say about war? In 1937 the historic Oxford Conference, summing up a concern which had mounted for centuries, sought serious answers to that question. At Amsterdam in 1948 the first.

National Family Week - May 7-14, 1950

Christian homes are the bulwark of our nation. It is in our homes that the foundations of character, morality and religious faith are laid. Now, as always, the primary responsibility for religious nurture rests with the family. National Family Week, therefore, should have a sacred significance to all who honor God and love their country.

"God Works Through Homes" is the theme which will be used by Protestants in their observance of National Family Week this year. The 1950 edition of Pages of Power for Home Religion contains a series of daily family devotions based on this theme. For centuries families have found help through reading the Bible and through prayer. God makes his presence felt in the life of the home. Families that have not followed the practice of holding family devotions may get started now by following the simple suggestions in the pamphlet referred to above. God will work through your family if you give Him a chance.

National Family Week is a good time to stress the fact that our homes can be centers of Christian influence in the community. We can make our homes centers of Christian influence by letting them be used for church and neighborhood group meetings, by inviting new neighbors to share our Christian experiences in our homes, and by showing people what fine Christian homes can be like.

God works through homes to bless His children young and old. God works through homes to bless the neighborhoods that form the world.

— Franklin I. Sheeder.

Evangelize!

Give us a watchword for the hour,
A thrilling word, a word of power;
A battle cry, a flaming breath,
That calls to conquest or to death;
A word to rouse the church from rest,
To heed her Master's high behest.
The call is given: Ye hosts arise,
Our watchword is Evangelize!
The glad evangel now proclaim
Through all the earth in Jesus' name,
This word is ringing through the skies,
Evangelize! Evangelize!
To dying men, a fallen race,
Make known the gift of gospel grace;
The world that now in darkness lies,
Evangelize! Evangelize! — Henry Crocker

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The Weekly Bulletin

Evangelical and Reformed Church



"But as for me and my house we will serve the Lord!"

Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church Higginsville Missouri Theodore Hauck, Pastor

Notices

Order of Worship Sunday May 7,1950 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: "Chancel Radiance"----Kern
Miss Ruth Rinne, Organist
Call to Worship by Choir (Cong. Standing)

The Invocation

Hymn No.327 "Lord God of Hosts How Lovely"

The Morning Prayer -- Choir Response

The Scripture Lesson

Anthem: Holy Art Thou "---- Handel

The Offertory: "Abendlied"----Hammerel

Hymn No.217 "Rock of Ages" Congregation Standing

The Sermon: 'None Other Refuge" Jn.6:66-69

The Pulpit Prayer -- The Lord's Prayer

Solo: "They That Trust in the Lord" Mm. Schoppenherst J#l with Miss Laura Schoppenherst May 9

Hymn No.468 "Jesus Saviour Pilot Me"

#7 with Mrs. Harold Rickhof May 9

The Benediction -- Three-fold Amen

Chimes and Silent Meditation

The Postlude: "March of the Noble"---Keats

Be sure to note that this Sun marks the beginning of Family Week Read the article on the last page of our Bulletin and be governed by some of the suggestions.

Don't forget the service at 8 this evening. Sermon subject: "The Spiritual Rock"

Next Sun morning we plan to observe the Festival of the Christian Home in a special service.

All workers in our Vacation Bible School should meet in the S.S.room of the church Mon.8 p.m.

Don't miss the Kirby Page meeting in our church Wed.8 p.m. Invite your friends to come

Vacation Bible School begins Mon.May 22, 8:30-a.m. The sessions will be held in the Emerson Grade School for two weeks.

W.Guild Circles meeting this week:

J#l with Miss Laura Schoppenhorst May 9

#7 with Mrs. Harold Riekhof May 9

#9 with Mrs. Eula Stephens in Aulville

Mrs. Kate Luehrs assisting May 9 instead of

May 10 as previously announced

Our thanks to Circle #2 for placing flowers in our church during the month of April

You are invited to witness the wedding ceremony of Robert Bodenstab and Dorothy Hickman in our sanctuary at 6 this evening

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The Kirby Page Meeting

The Kirby Page meeting recently held at the Wesley Methodist Church in this city illustrates the contrast between free speech and right of public assembly in America and the denial of such freedom in Communist controlled countries.

Many persons present differed vigorously from the Kirby Page point of view. Others followed him in principle who were unable to see the practical implementation of his plan for world peace, with Communism determined upon world domination. And yet the discussion was conducted in the utmost good will and frankness of speech. No one present, whatever his point of view was fearful that the public expression of his opinions and convictions would bring dire calamity upon him or upon his family.

Such is freedom of speech and public assembly in these United States. So may it ever be, is the prayer of all decent and liberty loving persons.

The outstanding advocates of global peace, who are now presenting their ideas very earnestly and with increasing interest on the part of the American people, are not wholly in agreement among themselves.

This is to be expected. Neither are the advocates of the ultimate in national military defense in agreement among themselves. There is no simple solution to this thorny problem, while all thoughtful citizens are agreed that it presents the most serious crisis in the history of civilization.

It is an encouraging sign that the hope of world-wide peace is still alive in the world and that after nearly two thousand years of strife the Prince of Peace is increasingly the light, as well as the hope of the world.

On one point there is very general agreement in this country, namely that the Society of Friends, under whose auspices Kirby Page is touring the country, is doing a very thorough job of rehabilitation and compassion in many countries. Its activities have never been called in question by Congressional investigators.

The Society of Friends, the United World Federalist organization, Kirby Page and many other individuals and groups interested in the development of global peace, suggest an extension of the powers of the United Nations organization.

Mr. Page would include in his program, something like the Marshall Plan, on a global scale, under the control of the United Nations. He also urges a reduction in armaments of all nations and every possible extension of friendship among the nations.

It seems to us that the \$64 question is: What if Russia will not co-operate? Mr. Page affirms that peace loving nations should keep on trying to co-operate with Russia.

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May 12, 1950

Prof. Walter Muelder 82 Oxford Rd. Newton Center, Mass.

Dear Walter:

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You have probably now received the notice of the coming meeting of the FOR National Council in New York from the evening of May 18 to the afternoon of May 20, and also the important report of the FOR Policy Committee. Unfortunately, there are serious cleavages between various staff members in the National Office. I was shocked on returning from my recent world journey to find how serious these differences are. Naturally, they are more or less tangled in with the policy problems of our organisation. I am confident that our dear FOR will weather any storm which may blow up at the approaching Council meeting. There may not be a storm; but on the other hand, it is possible that there may be a hurricane.

These details as to policy, intertwined with personnel, can certainly not be wisely aired and handled at the FOR National Conference, next September, nor by a referendum vote of the whole FOR membership. Also, the problems are so urgent that some clarification and decision can not be postponed. We are in danger of losing certain members of the staff and must also face the fact of accumulating bills.

Fortunately, the Policy Committee, whose report you have, has worked hard and, I believe, skillfully on the task committed to them by the FOR Council, last January. What is now essential is to have a full and representative meeting of the Council, next week. And, after careful consideration of the chief elements in our problem, take affirmative and constructive action so that without further delay a clear course may be set for the FOR at the present juncture; and activities of the staff may be realigned to conform with this course.

It will probably be the most critical meeting - for good or evil - that the Council has held since the war. I beg you to make a special effort to be present; especially, for the discussion on Thursday evening and the continuing discussion which may be expected to follow on Friday. I am sure that the FOR budget will take care of your expenses if that enables you to attend the Council sessions, for we all deeply desire your presence and help in trying to discover the right solution of our present problems. If it is absolutely impossible for you to be present, please do the next best thing of studying the policy report and immediately writing Arthur Swift your reactions. His address is Union Theological Seminary, B'way and 120 Street, New York, N. Y.

I am hoping to see you.

P.S. I'm sorry that we did not manage to get in a talk at

Ever affectionately yours.

the Conference in Detroit. JNS/h Nevin Sayre

I will come to the Payne Foundation meeting the June 16-

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CUPT Page.

May 13, 1950

MAIL ATR

Marie Page Box 247 La Habra California

Dear Marie Page:

Kirby asked me last night to send you our revised and completed schedule for the final week of his tour. It is as follows:

Sunday, May 21. Sioux Falls, South Dakote. Rev. Paul F. Davis (Same as listed before)

First Methodist Church 12th St. at Spring Ave

Monday, May 22. Faribault, Minn.

(Same as before)

Tuesday, May 23. New Ulm, Minn. (instead of Northfield)

Wednesday, May 24. Red Wing, Minn.

Thursday, May 25. N Bemidji, Minn.

Friday, May 26. Hastings, Minn.

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and of Tour

If you happen to already have sent books to Northfield, it will not hert, as we shall be driving through there and can pick them up without difficulty.

I am sorry we could not get this to you earlier. It was only completed last evening - as regards final confirmation.

Cordially yours,

Walter A. McCleneghan Peace Education Director

Fredericksburg Iowas May 15, 1950

Kirby Page c/o DesMoines Regional Office American Friends Service Committee 1116 East University Avenue Des Moines 16, Iowa

Dear Dr. Page:

After your speaking here in the Church of the Brethren yesterday I was given a sharp reminder once more that the Way you were talking about that of Redemptive Love -- and which pacifists believe is the Christian Way -- is a minority belief. This morning the ministers in Fredericksburg called as "coffee meeting"; one of the things they talked about was the Kirby Page meeting.

The answer to your question as to whethereor not any impression is made on those who are militantly against the pacifist position was clearly confirmed this morning in their discussion. With one accord it was this: "Well, we can't change Kirby Page's belief, and he won't change mine--I'm too well grounded in the Faith".

--And they added, "Kirby Page is so intol/erant of those who differ with his position":

I trust that weepacifists are not "mixed up about this!" (to use eyour expression) being according to the mind of Christ. I too have the assurance that this is the Way of Christ. And I know there are some who heard you who came away with a stronger determination to seek and follow the Truth and the Way, regardless of where it follows:

By the way, enclosed herewith is 50¢ for the copy of your "most decent publication"; I think I forgot to pay for it.
I am also forwarding an airmail letter to you, which came here.

Your being here was a joy and an encouragement to mea as well as to a number of others there. My prayer is that what appears to be the "pacifist intollerance" might in all events be a total commitment to Jesus the Christ. Thank you again.

Your fellow-servant,

Dean L. Farringer, Pastor Church of the Brethren

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FOR RELEASE WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

NEW YCRK, N.Y. Pledging their full support to a twopday Mid-Century Conference for Peace to be held in Chicago, May 29-30, three hundred and seventy-one leaders of religion, abor, youth, business, education, women's and fraternal organizations from thirty-six states signed a Call issued by Bishop William J. Walls, which declared that the American's people's insistent demand for peace in the world today is in harmony with our demand for freedom.

The Conference will be held at the St. James Methodist Church, 4611 S. Ellis Av., Chicago.

Among those who signed the Call, which included 200 Ministers, 7 Bishops and 3 college presidents, were Laiss Charlotta Bass, Editor, "The California Eagle"; Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, President, Palmer Institute; Prof. E. Franklin Frazic Howard University; Rev. Dr. W. H. Jernagin, Fraternal Council of Negro Churches; Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, horehouse College and Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Ntl. Assn. of Colored Women.

Bishop Walls, Honorary Chairman of the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives, which is sponsoring the Conference, released the text of the Call today from the Committee's offices at 158 West 56th Street, New York City.

Pointing out that "H-Bombs can bury our country's destiny of full democracy for all in the same grave with our shattered hopes for full citizenship", the Call said in part:

Whatever of good repute, whatever of greatness, whatever of decency and morality, whatever of spiritual leadership our country has earned in the world today, has been conditioned by the never-ceasing movement of our people's struggle for full freedom. Our people's battle for full freedom is today the test of our country's reputation, of its claim to leadership.

"Because we know these simple facts of history, we know that the American people's insistent demand for peace in the world today is in harmony with our demand for freedcm".

Following is the list of those who signed the Call:

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W. RODEMANN, Ph.D.
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May 19. 50

Dear Dr. Page:

Kindly mail to me at once a copy of your inspirational "Living Prayerfully", which I want to use for a graduation gift,

Send me also a copy of "Living Creatively" as well as of your latest, "The Creative Revolution of Jesus".

I take the liberty of sending you under separate cover a modest contribution to the Goethe Bicentenial - as a pacifist sees it.

I had hoped to be at the Detroit Conference on Church and War, but "it was not so to be".

With hearty greetings from us all

Yours cordially,

Co spodemann

First Methodist Church 120 North Gale Hill Lindsay, California May 20, 1950

Dear Dr. Kirby Page:

With the thought in mind that your itinerary this Fall might possibly permit, we are asking if you could come to the Labor Day Retreat of the Fresno Destrict Methodist Youth Fellowship at Lake Sequoia, from 4 p.m. Saturday 3, through 3 p.m. Monday, September 5, 1950 in the capacity as our main speaker.

The purpose is a consecration and rededication for the Christian way of self through various forms of Christian calling. The theme is "Are Ye Able?" We would appreciate it if you could come for these three days, and will anticipate your answer.

Yours cordially

Secretary of Tulare sub-district M.Y.F.

The Desert Mission



9112 NORTH THIRD STREET

May 20,1949

Mr. Kirby Page P.O.Box 247 · La Habra, California

Dear Mr. Page:

I was very happy to see you on your recent visit to Phoenix and appreciated the opportunity of chatting with you on that occasion. I have been finding the work of the Desert Mission, whose Superintendency, I accepted last December, as very intriguing and challenging, and one that I feel is very worthwhile.

Our Mission is under the general auspices of the Presbytery of Phoenix and is an approved agency of the Presbyterian Church. We are now building our new Sunnyslope Presbyterian Church which has been a part of the Desert Mission since its inception some twenty years ago. We are also carrying on a varied program of health, education, and recreation as described in the enclosed folder. Our Board of Directors is made up of a score of civic leaders in this vicinity, including a number of very prominent financial leaders, many of whom are connected with the First Presbyterian Church in Phoenix.

Our annual budget consists of a little over \$60,000. About a quarter of this comes from the Community Chest of Phoenix, half from the sale of Desert Mission seals sent out to practically all the Presbyterian Churches in the country and to their lay leaders, and the remainder from earnings of the Mission and special contributions. It has been the task of the Superintendent to visit different cities throughout the country so as to meet Presbyterian groups and others concerned in our program. I am planning on taking such a trip to California the first part of July, going to Los Angeles, San Francisco, and other cities in order that I may meet with Church groups and individuals and tell them about the work we are doing with the hope of securing some assistance. As I see our needs now, we shall lack several thousand dollars of making our budget unless special help is forth coming, because the Community Chest was forced to curtail their allotment to us this year by \$3,500.

Any suggestions that you may have to offer as to places I might appear, groups I might address or interested individuals I might see, would be greatly appreciated.

With kindest regards,

Cordially yours,

H. F. Hancox Superintendent

The Churches' Youth Fellowship Conference on "The Way of Jesus In This Hour of World Crisis"

May 21—First Methodist Church—12th at Spring—Sioux Falls, S. D.

3:00-4:00—Recreation

4:00-5:00—Seminars

Christian Faith and My Job

UN—First Glance

Is the UN Successful?

(Communism and Christianity—the problem of ends and means.)

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Peace Begins at Home (2)

Missions Work For Peace in Japan

Putting Principles of Love to Work

(Communism and Christianity—the value of the individual.)

Work Camps and Caravans

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May 23, 1950

John W. Flucke 8717 - 7th Avenue Inglewood, California

Dear Mr. Flucke:

We have just heard from Kirby Page. He is able to accept your invitation to neet with your group of ministers in a retreat on September 11 and 12.

As the time for the retreat approaches, you will undoubtedly wish to plan details with him. Later this summer he can be reached at his home address: Box 247, La Mabra, California. He has no telephone.

If we can be of further help, please let us know.

Very sincerely yours,

for Robert S. Vogel, Peace Education Secretary

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oc: Kirby Page L

MID-CENTURY CONFERENCE FOR PEACE

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May 24, 1950

Dear Friend:

We are enclosing for your thoughtful attention a mimeographed copy of the Program of the MID-CENTURY CONFERENCE FOR FEACE, which moets in Chicago, May 29 and 30, at the St. James Methodist Episcopal Church. It is only due to a desperate lack of funds that we are forced to send our remaining notices of the Conference in this form. We do so without apology.

We have arrived at that hour in history when peace is the only alternative for the survival of humanity. We approve the position of the International Red Cross calling for the outlawing of atomic weapons. We agree with Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, that peace between the Great Powers must be negotiated. And we know that the NID-CENTURY CONFERENCE FOR FEACE supporting these proposals and the strengthening of the United Nations, is that body which will best express the aspirations of our people in their fervent desire for a peaceful and productive future.

This may reach you a little too late for you to attend the Conference - due solely to the press of our financial situation, and not because you are less responsible for the work of the Conference than those who received the printed Call a few days ago. We pray you to realize that the way to peace is only now being opened, and the actions and expressions of our people for peace are only now taking form.

Whether or not you can join us in Chicago, it is as much your duty as that of our statesmen to move our beloved country toward the peace desired by the American people. We call upon you to watch carefully the work of the Conference, and to hold yourself in readiness for plans and activities afterwards.

The people of the United States are discovering that Peace -- long-lasting Peace, is attainable. Together we will lay the groundwork for a future in which atomic weapons will be outlawed; when great powers will negotiate peacefully; and when the United Nations will become that great instrument through which man will reach higher and higher levels of international goodwill and cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. Willard Uphaus Executive Director

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MID-CENTURY CONFERENCE FOR PEACE

PROGRAM

Monday, May 29

10 A.M. - 12 N -- REGISTRATION . St. James Methodist Church
4611 S. Ellis Avenue, Chicago

2 P.M. - 4 P.M. KEYNOTE SESSION -- St. James Methodist Church

Chairman - Bishop W. J. Walls, A.M.E. Zion Church, Chicago

HISTORY OF THE CONTERENCE
Dr. John b. Thompson, Dean, Rockefeller Chapel,
University of Chicago

THE COLD WAR. WHERE ARE WE TODAY?

Dr. Malcolm P. Sharp, Professor of Law,

University of Chicago

THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FEACE

Prof. Kermit Eby, Division of Social Sciences,
University of Chicago

FEACE IS DYNAMIC wise Emily Greene Balch, Honorary Chairman,
Women's International League for Peace and
Freedom, Wellesley, Mass. (recorded)

5:30 P.W. YOUTH SUPPER

Speakers - Hugo Leaming, Secretary, Meadville Theological School Students Association, Chicago

Donald Mathews, President Student Cabinet, Union Theological Semanary, New York City

8:00 Pale -- FUBLIC MEETING -- St. Jamas Methodist Church

"PEACE IS POSSIBLE"

INVOCATION -- Dr. George A. Fowler, St. James Methodist Church

CHAIRMAN -- Dr. John B. Thompson, Dean, Rockefeller Chapel, University of Chicago

SPEAKERS -- Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, President,
Palmer Institute, Sedalia, N.C.
Dr. Mark A. Dawber, formerly of the Home
Missions Council of North America, N.Y.C.
Thomas Mann, Nobel Prize Winner (recorded)

F. W. Stover, Editor, "The Iowa Farmer"
Harris Wofford, Trustee, Foundation for World
Government, N.Y.C.

Rev. Massie Kennard, past to youth, Metropolitan Community Church, Chicago

Jameson Jones, National Conference of Methodist

Tuesday, May 30 - WORK SEMINARS TO EXAMINE PEACEFUL ALTERNATIVES TO THE COLD WAR

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 N) Seminars at St. James Methodist Church 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.)

I FEAR ... EFFECTS ON FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

Moderator: Dr. David D. Baker, President, Associated Church Press, St. Louis, No.

Discussion: Prof. Karmit Eby, Division of Social Sciences,
Leaders University of Chicago

Dr. Albert Barnett, Garrett Bibilical Institute, Evanston, Ill.

II THE H-BOMB, THE A-BOMB

Moderator: Rabbi Jonah E. Caplan, Congregation Beth-El, Astoria, L.I.

Discussion: Dr. Daniel Q. Posin, Professor of Physics, Leaders N. Dakota State Agricultural College, Fargo

Rev. Alfred W. Swan, First Congregational Church, Madison, Wisconsin

III CIVIL LIBERTIES

Moderator: Dr. Charles J. Turck, President, Macalester College St. Paul, Minn.

Discussion: Hon. Clifford Durr. Former Federal Communications
Leaders Commissioner, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Mark A. Dawber, formerly of the Home Missions Council of N. America, Long Beach, N.Y.

IV ECONOMY, TRADE AND FOREIGN POLICY

Moderator: Rev. Edgar M. Wahlberg, At. Olivet Methodist Church Dearborn, Michigan

Discussion: Mrs. Welthy Fisher, Chairman, World Day of Prayer Leaders Committee, United Council of Church Women, NYC

> Prof. Colston E. Warne, Economist, Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois, Author and anthropologist, Council on African Affairs, N.Y.C.

Note: To plan effective community action, the Conference will have experts in religion, education, labor, youth and community life as consultants in each panel.

4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. - CLOSING SESSION -- Reports from Seminars, Adoption of Program, Election of Continuations Committee

Snyder Hall, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.
May 26,1950.

Dear Kirby and Alma:

Alma's letter of Easter Day came to hand dome time ago and here comes our tardy reply. Our granddaughter now is over a year old, and still developing nicely .. Epsie wrote that the first birthday party was a riot!!! It is too bad that the youngsters have to give up that nice place in which they have been living. I think the landlady wants it for her own use. But perhaps they will want to move to another job, for example, to Madera.

We like Texas very much, or at least this part of it. We have a comfortable place in which to live, and would be glad to stay here, if there were a position open for me. But I am only a "Visiting Professor" and the present arrangement is a temporary one, made by the Board of Missions and this university. We plan to stay here for much or most of the summer. Edna has found a Board-recommended doctor in Austin who is really helping her. Then too, I have stressed my schoolwork above that of field cultivation work for the Board, and if we stay over for a while, maybe I can do more of this latter type of work in the churches. Anyway, we do not know as yet where we shall be next year, and it will be fine if we can stay here until we do know.

I am combing the country for a more permanent teaching job in some college, seminary or university. So far I have written to over 60 of such Methodist institutions. There are only two possibilities up to the present as indicated by the responses that I have received. Edna has long been after me to ask Kirby in his travels to keep on the lookout for a position for me, but for the present trip it may be too late. Still, you might have some helpful suggestions to offer. The school need not necessarily be a Methodist one. I will enclose herewith a copy of the Personal History that I am sending to the places to which I write. I can let you have more copies of it if you could use them. Iny suggestions that you might have to make would be received with appreciation.

Maybe Edna would like to add a note to this letter.

getting dimer. but she sends hearty feetings of best work.

Cordially yours,

Charles F. Johannaber Personal History

- 1. Introductory: Born in Missouri, near St. Louis. Married Edna M. Stuckeman, daughter of Prof. C. J. Stuckeman, of Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton, Missouri. First went to China in 1915. Our three daughters were all born in China. Worked under appointment of our Methodist Board of Foreign Missions from 1915 to 1940, and again from 1946 to the present time. My biography appears in Prominent Personalities of Methodism".
- 2. Educational Training: Graduated with A.B. degree from Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton, Missouri, and with S.T.B. degree from Boston University School of Theology, Boston, Mass. Later, on furloughs from China, I studied education at the University of Chicago, Northwestern University, and Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York City. Studied religious education at Union Theological Seminary, New York, and at Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill. From 1929-30 I held one of the missionary fellowships at Union Theological Seminary, New York City. I studied the Chinese language for a year at the University of Nanking in China.
- 3. Types of Work and Experience: For a number of years I was teacher in the department of Roligious Education in William Nast Middle School in central China, and for seven years served as principal of that school. Also served as district missionary in central China. For three years, was pastor of the student church at Kiukiang, China. For one year I served as conference director of Evangelism and Religious Education in the Kiangsi Annual Conference. In earlier years, I was ordained deacon and elder by Bishop Bashford.

For about ten years, from 1937 to nearly 1947, I was in this country, doing field cultivation work for the Board of Missions, and serving also as field representative for the Church Committee for China Relief, with headquarters in Chicago. During that period, I also served as pastor of churches in the Illinois Conference.

In 1946, I was called back to China to join the staff of the National Christian Council in Shanghai, where I served in the department of Christian Education. My responsibility was for the religious work in the 13 Christian colleges and universities and the 250 or so Christian high schools in China. I was a traveling secretary and visited schools.

At present I am serving as Visiting Professor of Missions at Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, for the spring semester of 1950. I am offering three courses: The Church at Work Abroad, Oriental History, and Oriental Religions. At the same time, I am doing field cultivation work for the Board of Missions in surrounding territory.

4. Writing: In China I wrote and had published several books for use in Christian education: The Use, Origin and Message of the Old Testament, On Joining the Church, The Problem of Partnership (on sex and family life), What it Means to be a Christian, and Guiding Young People in Christian Living. These were all published in Chinese and the first-mentioned was also published in English.

For a time I was editor of the China Christian Advocate, and I also wrote articles on education for the Educational Quarterly in China. One summer I was in Japan and made a study of the relations between Mission and Church in that country. These findings were published in the China

Christian Advocate.

5. Teaching Departments: I could undertake to teach courses in Missions, Oriental Subjects, Religion, Bible, Religious Education and General Education. I have done a good deal of study and work in counseling and guidance.

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May 29, 1950

Mr. Kirby Page La Habra, California

Dear Mr. Page:

PAUL F. DAVIS

MRS. CHAS. F. SCHONE DIR. OF REL. ED.

I want to express my appreciation and that of the Churches' Youth Fellowship, for your being with us. I thought it was a timely message presented in a vital manner. It is good that your speech provoked much thought and discussion among our youth. Let me again say "Thank you" for sharing your thoughts and experiences with us.

In fellowship

Paul F. Davis

American Friends Service Committee, Inc. 1116 East University Avenue Des Moines 16, Iowa

DES MOINES

Regional Office May 31, 1950

From: Walter A. McCleneghan

To: All regional peace secretaries
Anna Brinton
Homer Morris
Kirby Page

This is to call to your attention as valuable resource material for quoting in your bulletins, etc. (in case you have not already come across it) the review by Richard E. Danielson of the book just published by Admiral William D. Leahy entitled "I Was There" (Whittlesey House, \$4.00). The review is found on pages 73-75 of the May issue of the Atlantic Monthly.

Especially pertinent is the closing column and a quarter which deals with the use of the atomic books bomb at Hiroshima. For your convenience I am enclosing on a separate sheet the quotes which impress me as being the most significant, in case you do not find it convenient to look up the article immediately.

May I offer this suggestion for your consideration? Personally I have gelt for some time that a monthly g "Peace Service Bulletin" such as the Southern California office and some others of you are using is very much worthwhile. I hope that our region may soon do likewise. The suggestion is this. Would it be too much trouble for each regional peace secretary to send especially significant quotes to all the other offices that any who wish to do so may use them without having to make wait to glean them from the bulletins of the various offices, in case we have missed the original article. I would appreciate your reactions.

1950 SUMMER CONFERENCES

- May 10-14 *International Relations (AFSC) Kansas City, Mo.
- June 7-18 *International Relations (AFSC) Wichita (and Topeka) Kans.
- June 8-12 *International Relations (AFSC) San Antonio, Texas (La Villia and Cos House)
- June 12-16 *International Relations (AF\$C) Dallas, Texas (Southern Methodist University Fondren Library Auditorium)
- June 9-16 *International Relations (AFSC) Spokane, Wash.
- June 12-16 *International Relations (AFSC) Evanston, Ill.
- June 18-25 *International Relations (AFSC) Seattle, Wash.
- June 18-24 Summer Conference and School of Missions, Chautauqua Grounds, Boulder, Col. Write Mrs. Oscar Low, 748 S. Ogden St., Denver 9
- June 26-30 Interdenominational Conference of Missions at Bynden Wood, Wernersville, Pa. Write Miss Edith E. Ashton, 1939 Grant Ave., Bustleton, Phila. 15, Pa.
- June 26-31 Summer School of Missions at Winona Lake, Indiana. Write Miss Nell R. Lucas, Winona Lake, Ind.
- June 26-Jul. 2 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) New England
- June 27-Jul. 4 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) Whittier College, Whittier, Cal.
- July 1-9 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) Camp Pioneer, Lake Leesville, Ohio
- July 3-11 Northfield Interdenominational Missionary Conference at East Northfield, Mass. Write Miss E. Lowry, 297 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.
- July 12-19 Silver Bay Conference on Christian World Missions. Write Dr. Gilbert O. LeSourd, 156 Fifth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.
- July 16-23 National Conference on Education of Christian Parents, Lake Geneva, Wis. Write Dr. R. E. Lentz, 206 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 4, Ill.
- July 17-21 Lake Geneva World Missions Institute for Church Leaders at Conference Point Camp, Williams Bay, Wis. Write Rev. Ellis Marchborn, 127 North Dearborn St., Chicago 2, Ill.
- July 29-Aug. 5 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) Southern California, Retreat Workshop, Camp Ocean Pines, Cambria, Calif.
- Aug. 4-9 Missionary Education Conference at Asilomar, Monterey Peninsula, Pacific Grove, Calif. Write Mrs. R. W. Blosser, 222 Moncada Way, San Francisco 12, Calif.
- Aug. 5-12 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) Pacific Southwest Family Institute, Pinecliff Springs Camp, Forest Home, Calif.
- Aug. 7-13 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.
- Aug. 18-27 *Institute on International Relations (AFSC) Albright College, Reading, Pa.
- Aug. 20-25 Missions Week, Chautauqua, New York. Write Dr. Alfred Randle, Chautauqua, N. Y.
- Sept. 19-21 Minnesota School of Missions, Wesley Methodist Church, Minneapolis. Write Mrs. E. W. Wenzel, 5020 13th Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.
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June 1, 1950 5005 Garden Avenue West Palm Beach, Florida

Dr. Kirby Page, Box 247 South End Sapodila Drive La Habra, Calif.

Dear Sir:

I attended a lecture that you gave at a local White Christian Church a short while ago. I attended for the purpose of taking notes for a study that I am making of World Government preparatory to writing an Operetta on World Government and Brotherly Love. I was asked to write the operetta by a Mrs. Eshenbacher who is at the head of the local World Government movement in the Palm Beaches. I am quite sure that you met her that evening.

I am writing to you because I am interested in becoming a Peace Scout for World Government. I would appreciate any information that you can give me along that line. I was very much impressed by your Peace Scout Plan.

Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I remain

Sincerely,

Vivian M. Num

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I did not get written

Kirby Page Box 247 La Habre, California

AIRMAIL

Dear Kirby,

Enclosed herewith is our check for \$480. covering our financial obligation for the last two weeks of your tour in the Des Moines region. I recognize that it by no means covers the tremendous value and help that your work has been to the Service Committee and the program of peace education.

I have talked with George about the inclusion of your book announcement and the sheet of quotes from the military which you are considering printing. As we anticipated he is entirely agreeable to the idea. I understand that usually the fall newsletter is mailed with the finance appeal so that would not be the time to include your material. (If I remember correctly, you thought that it should not go out with our finance appeal). I am not sure therefore just when or what our first fall mailing will be other than that, but you may be assured we shall try to work it out satisfactorily.

I enclose the general memo to peace secretaries and the reference and quote from the Atlantic Monthly. I am also sending a memo to Philly in regard to the pamphlet which you proposed upwards of a year ago. I am not optimistic about getting anything done on it in Philadelphia since there is no person with any responsibility, as I understand it, for getting out printed peace material of a resource nature. All we have is an office for faculty services and matters related directly thereto.

Hope you had a nice trip home. Best regards to you and Alma.

Cordially yours,

Walter.

Walter A. McCleneghan

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enc: #3487 general memo

First Presbyterian Church

Dabenport, Jowa

June 1st, 1950

Dear Friends of Dr. and Mrs. Nickless:

On June 30th, after thirty-five years as pastor, fifteen of which were served in this church, Dr. Nickless will retire from the active ministry. During these years in Davenport he and Mrs. Nickless have endeared themselves to countless people in the church and community.

In appreciation for their very fine service and to wish them Godspeed in the future, our Session and Trustees have appointed a committee to plan a suitable farewell.

You are cordially invited to this reception, to be held at the Davenport Outing Club on Friday, June 30. A brief program will begin promptly at 8:00 P.M. Enclosed please find a reply card, which you are asked to fill in and return promptly.

One of the gifts to be presented that night, will be an album of greetings from local as well as out-of-town friends. It would be much appreciated if you took time to write a letter of greeting on 8½x11 stationery and mail it in the enclosed envelope, commenting on some experience in your association with Dr. and Mrs. Nickless. You may enclose a snapshot of your family or home. Since this presentation will be a surprise, it should be sent care of Mr. Lemon, as the envelope indicates. These letters should be mailed by June 20th at the latest.

Very sincerely,

Clarence Schutter
M. E. Chamberlain
H. E. Johnson

-Committee

American Friends Service Committee, Inc. 1116 East University Avenue Des Moines 16, Iowa

DES MOINES

Regional Office June 5, 1950

To: Dick Bennett:

From: Walter A. McCleneghan

At the Peace Secretaries' meeting in January, as I recall it, there was a decision to have Philadelphia go ahead and publish the proposed pamphlet, material for which had been assembled by Kirby Page and sent to Philadelphia about January, 1949. The subject matter dealt with statements by various and sundry military and govt people about futility of military defenses, the atomic bomb, etc.

Since that decision was reached, again there has been nothing tangible in results.

Is there any office in Philadelphia AFSC that has responsibility for preparing original pamphlets and resource material in the field of peace education? If so, I do not have it clear in my own mind what division or office it is. Or are we merely to garner together what other agencies produce and make use of them? (We should do that, too, I would think.) Personally, I think we need some research and production of materials on our own. We certainly do enough on AFSC projects and activities, and do a good job. Is the other sort of thing beyond us? Or beyond our resources?

cc: Anna Brinton Homer Morris Steve Cary Kirby Page

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Dr. Kirby Page Box 2¹+7 La Rabra, California

Dear Kirby:

Thank you for your excellent new book, THE CREATIVE REVOLUTION OF JESUS - THEN AND NOW. I showed it to Percy Bartlett the other day and we would like to present a copy to each of the 250 delegates whom we expect to have at the International FOR Conference in Holland, next July. I enclose a program of this conference.

I am wondering if you could sell us 250 copies of the above mentioned book what is the rock-bottom price that you could quote me for the lot? And what would be the cost of mailing them or sending them the cheapest way to the Woudschoten Conference so that they would get there before July 15?

I hope that you are well and I wish that I could see you. We had an excellent conference at Detroit recently on the Church and War where I wish you could have been present.

Yours affectionately.

Nevin

Nevin Sayre

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June 5, 1950

Dear Kirby:

Just this afternoon received the box of pledge envelopes which you sent. How did they ever get way out there?!! Must have been hiding in your trunk. Many thanks, anyway.

Hope you had a pleasant trip home. Thought of you during your journeys — and since. You have already had one or two memos from me. Enclosed is one just gotten out today regarding the proposed pamphlet.

At the finance committee meeting here the other evening (last Friday) they called me in from my desk in the next room to ask me if I thought there was opportunity for more peace education work if we had additional staff for it. Everett Davis feels that in view of the urgency of the world situation we ought to be expanding our peace education work if possible, either by adding an "Interne" for Peace work and another secretary in the office, or a full-time associate staff member to assist me, with a full-time secretary to help. It isn't in the budget, -- although Everett seemed to think that we could raise the money for it. I hope it is indicative of an increased concern.

Regarding your talk with George Warmer (in case you have not had it by the time you get this) I don't think I ought to come back to the Conference this year unless it were an especially urgent opportunity (which I don't anticipate). I incline toward staying on here for the two years already voted me. I think the AFSC realizes that Peace Secretaries are not available just at random. So it may be that there will be opportunity for continuous service without asking for any special privileges or "exceptions" to be made. However, I shall be glad to know what George may have to say.

George Willoughby leaves in the morning for Wichita, where he will dean Guy's Institute. So, the summer activities are really getting under way.

Regards and greetings to you both. How are them Bums a-coming along? Root 'em on to victory.

As ever,

Maite

Walter A. McCleneghan Peace Education Director

First Presbyterian Church

REV. HARLAN H. NAYLOR, PASTOR

June 6, 1950

Kirby Page, D.D. Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Dr. Page:

I want to thank you for three things. The first two are for two books, THE CREATIVE REVOLED UTION OF JESUS: THEN AND NOW, which you gave me that day last month at LakeCity, Iowa, and THERE IS A SPIRIT, THE NAYLER SONNETS, which you had Mr. McCleneghan send to me.

The third thing really came to me first chronologically, but I mention it **last** because it is the best that you gave me. That is the uplift that your message that afternoon gave to me. I had heard of you many times, but I had to see your face and to see something in you that is conveyed in the Scripture "they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus" to be really helped.

Thank you. Thank you for the two fine books. Yes, I read your book through without letting a week go by. I shall not let it gather dust; I shall pass it on, for I feel that others should read it. And thank you for your witness for Christ that day in Kake City, Iowa.

Sincerely in Him,

Harlan It. Naylon

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June 9, 1950

To: Walter McCleneghan

From: Dick Bennett

Subject: Kirby Page's Pamphlet

Thanks for your memorandum about the possibility of publishing Kirby Page's pamphlet. It was my understanding that the Peace Secretaries, in January, asked the Committee they appointed, consisting of Anna Brinton, Guy Solt, Harold Chance, Red Schaal, and me, to consider how Kirby Page's pamphlet might be used. The Committee met and discussed it long ago and were pretty much of the mind that the pamphlet was really not worth publishing. We felt that it just wan't good enough and did not meet our needs. Revising it would not be enough as the pamphlet really would need to be completely rewritten. Therefore, we have not gone ahead with it.

I think you are prefectly right in pointing out that we do need to produce material of this sort, resulting from our own research and production and over our own imprint. Therefore, I am grateful that you have brought up this matter again and Steve Cary and I, along with other members of the Committee and possibly someone from the Publicity office, will try to get together and prepare something which might prove worthwhile in our peace program. We have, as you indicated, two major problems. One is to find someone on the staff who is not already so completely overloaded and yet has the ability to create the kind of literature which is needed. The other is to find the money to take care of printing in such creation. We will certainly try to overcome both these handicaps.

Thanks again.

RKB:s

cc: Anna Brinton Homer Morris Steve Cary

PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

James Harold More, Minister 54th STREET and 6th AVENUE LOS ANGELES, 43, CALIFORNIA

Sunday, June 11th, 1950

Dear Kirby:

The inclosed program indicates why I did not reply to your letter last week.

We shall be expecting you on the Wednesday evenings of October 18th and 25th, and November 1st and 8th.

I do not think it advisable to have these meetings under AFSC auspices. Last month we took an offering for World Service, amounting to over \$400, and each December we receive over \$800 for the same service under Congregational auspices.

We have three clothing drives- just completed one and will have the second Oct lst. The Guild helps two German families and the Youth groups an African family. Further emphasis along thus line would not be advisable. We give one fourth of our total income to benevolences. Greater participation awaits a deepening of our spiritual life.

May I suggest that at each of these meetings we have a supper, served by different groups. At each meeting we would about the tables like to have a twenty minute talk, which will help those who cannot attend the regular 7:45 meeting. This informal talk could then be a prelude to the second one- in the Upper Rooml which would be a convenient hour for those who cannot come to supper.

Will an honorarium of \$ 25.00 we sufficient? It can be increased without difficulty- your travel expenses must be heavier. Feel free to suggest what you should have to enable you to work without handicap.

The series subject I suggest is "Living Creatively"

Let me know if this arrangement us satisfactory.

Of course any group that you would like to invite to these meetings will be welcome. SELAH

Jan More

Greetings to all,

Since I last wrote a general epistle I visited Valetta, Malta, where CARE presented books to the two teacher's training colleges under the CARE-UNESCO book program. The books were enthusiastically received by students and faculty in both institutions. I flew directly from Rome to Valetta with Mrs.Probst of our CARE publicity staff. CARE packages, food, clothing, as well as books can now be sent to Malta. I visited the Bay where St.Paul was ship-wrecked, drove around the island, saw some of the underground Pagan temles dating back more than three thousand years. There are also some interesting remains of Church architecture from the Crusaders period.

My work has also taken me back to Greece several times, and on to Istanbul and Ankara. Turkey was a pleasant surprise, especially from the political side. The recent election upset, putting out Inonou who had held power since the days of Kemal Ataturk, did not surprise me because I discovered that there is far more democracy and freedom of opinion in Turkey than is generally supposed in the U.S. There are many newspapers and different views are widely held. The dictatorship under Inonou had not been very rigid as dictatorships go.

There is a genuine ferment in Turkey today. There are demands for change in the direction of social justice. There is definitely a Western orientation. There is a tremendous interest in learning English. The Marshall Plan is helping. For example under the military aid program, and now directly under the E.C.A. more than 13,000 miles of road are being constructed. Farmers are getting equipment, and much technical assistance is being given in many fields. I met a Quaker from N.Y.C. in Ankara who is advising the Turkish Government on the use of films and photography.

We are hoping before long to have a CARE contract with Turkey covering the distribution of books under the Care Unesco Book program. Normally Turkey is a food exporting country, so that we won't attempt to send food parcels there.

In Ankara I met for worship one evening with a small group of English and American Quakers, a group very much interested in the work od the American Friends Service Committee. The American Embassy people were very cooperative, as well as the United States Information Service personnel. I rode the Greek Ambassador's private plane (American Ambassador Grady) from Athens to Istanbul (It was a deluxe job)——free of charge.

One can't help but be somewhat flabbergasted with the range and wealth of experience a job like mine affords. In the field of travel alone I continue to be amazed. Air service out of Geneva is excellent. In a few hours one can be in distant and remote areas. For example two of my colleagues left Rome the other evening at midnight for Lydda in Israel (the air field for Tel Aviv and Jerusalem). Five hours after leaving Rome they arrived in Lydda. I met them and talked with them two hours at the air field. Then I caught the same plane (a D.C.6) back to Rome — arriving at noon. In approximately 12 hours the plane had made the retourn journey Rome to Lydda, with two hours on the ground. By boat this journey would take five to six days one way.

During the same week that I made this particular flight I heard the Tel Aviv Symphony Orchestra under the direction of the young American composer, Leonard Bernstein, play his symphony "Age of Anxiety" which was inspired by W.H.Auden's poem by the same name. That same week I went swimming along a beautiful stretch of beach on the Mediterranean. I visited Nazareth, the Lake of Galillee, Cana, and Capernaum; went to the Opera in Rome for a superb rendition of Rigoletto. En route back to Geneva I flew over the Alps in the bright sunshine and had a never-to-be-forgotten view of Mont Blanc, as well as many other snow-capped peaks. In between all of these "events" of course there was work, believe it of not; there were decisions to be made, problems to be dealt with. In between there were also new associations on the human level, political and economic discussions, and a variety of sights and experiences which are always and inseparably part of visiting new and interesting places and meeting new people.

Recently I have been reading John Woolman's Journal, especially about his travels into Pennsylvania, Virginia and North Carolina; and also his travels into New York State and New England. Remember how he walked and travelled on horseback? He lived less than 200 years ago. He would be startled if he could see the way I get around now; but while we have surpassed Woolman's methods of travel we have not surpassed his comprehension of the spirit of Jesus, or his concern to make it relevant to the life about him.

Since I last wrote we have received word that our work in Czechoslovakia will have to be terminated by July. This means that CARE will no longer be operating in any of the Satellite countries. It's a sign of the times. We are however sending packages into the Eastern Zone of Germany.

I fully intended to say something about Spain and Portugal in this letter; but since I'm returning to these countries in the very near future, I'll save my impressions until I've seen more.

As of June first, my work takes me to France, England, Benelux, Norway and Finland..... in addition to the countries I've already been

covering.... excepting Israel which will be taken out of my baliwick and put into the Near-East, South-East Asia Region. An administrative Assistant will be working with me so that I ought not to be away from Geneva any more than, if as much as, previously.

Betty keeps a good many of you informed on family news; so that I won't attempt to go into that side of our experience now except to say that Betty's French is a life saver to all of us, the children are doing well at the International School and liking it, Grandman is feeling more friendly to the strange ways of Europe, and we have had some interesting family excursions, and are planning many more for the summer months.

One or two things seem more clear to me than ever, and I would like to mention them in conclusion, even though they may appear to be somewhat unrelated to what I have been saying.

The importance of religion and religious values has come to me with greater force than ever both for the individual and for society. Every-where I go the economic needs of the masses could be considerably improved if the owning and ruling groups were less greedy and more socially conscious. Italy, Spain, and Greece are vivid examples of what I mean. Moreover, the plight of the poor could often be alleviated by the efforts of the poor, if personal religious values were treasured and if their social implications were seen. Perhaps another way of saying what I have in mind is that civilization seems to me to be a very thin veneer for the human family. Religion is the greatest force to make us something more than animals. It, more than anything else, enriches the cultural milieu and gives us appreciations, aspirations, and motivations which are essential to raising the level of life. I draw a distinction between religion and religious values, and the empty forms and decadent institutions which are so often identified with religion. But my experiences over these last months especially have served to remind me again that modern man desperately needs great religious values, principles and faith. And societies, if they are to endure must have this same cohesive and life-giving force. Religion is not just a social nicety of the middle class, it is a necessity for all of us. Much more could be said on this subject, and I could illustrate it out of some of my recent experiences; but at the moment I just wanted to state a conviction which I have seen more clearly from this perspective.

The second thing is almost too trite to mention, and yet I feel compelled to remind you of the unprecedented influence of the U.S. in the world. Coca-Cola, American Farm Machinery, American Cigarettes, American automobiles, American magazines, American airplanes, American radio, American technical and military personnel, the American language,——these and much more are really flung out across the world. A very attractive and intelligent young Turkish Army officer said, when I quizzed him about what the Turkish people felt about Marshall Plan Aid (enroute from Ankara to Athens by air), "We wonder whether you are giving us all this aid because you love us—— or because you hate Russia". I had to confess that we had mixed motives; but I know that

our vast influence in the world will ultimately be appraised by the purity of our affirmations. The Turks and the Italians, the Greeks and the Arabs want us to help them off their knees because we are genuinely interested in their welfare. They want to feel that we really care for them, and that our material assistance is a symbol of our caring. That is what they would like to believe about America, about Western Democracy, about the people of the U.S. It is really this ideological consideration which in the end will be determinative —— and our ability to state it affirmatively——— which thus far we haven't been able to do very often. No negative approach to the people of the world based primarily on our fear of Communism will suffice. Our influence is very great indeed——— for good or for ill———— but if for good it will have to be related to principles, to genuine caring, and ultimately to faith.

Roy McCorkel.

JOHN NEVIN SAYRE

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June 13, 1950

Dear Kirby:

Thank you for so promptly sending your books to Woudschoten. I have asked our Treasurer to send you a check for \$90.12 to cover your bill. It should arrive in due course.

Yours affectionately,

Nevin Sayre

Kirby Page PO Box 247 La Habra, California June 15, 1950.

Dear Paul

Here is an article for your conmideration. It would be immensely
helpful to me if I could know within two
weeks whether or not you plan to use it.
The reason is that I want to send a
reprint of the article in a mailing to
a large number of ministers early in
October. If it is not suitable for your
purpose, I will try to get it printed
elsewhere.

Another reason for asking for a prompt decision grows out of past experience. The last two articles which I submitted to The Christian Century were not acknowledged, printed, or returned. They simply fell into the bottomless pit of your wastebasket!

Cordially.

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June 15, 1950

Kirby Page Postoffice Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Kirby,

I appreciated your memo of June 7 very much. I think that your letter to George Warmer was the right thing. Thanks a lot for sending me a carbon. If you have any word from him in reply, which I am not sure you will, let me have some indication of it. — Mark it "Personal."

Wednesday morning's mail brought me a memo from Dick Bennett. I am enclosing a copy of it for your information. I am not in agreement with their feeling that the proposed pamphlet was not of sufficient worth. I do see how by itself it would be inadequate for peace education since it would be largely negative in showing the futility of reliance upon the military way. Possibly the fact that Red Schaal was the only actual field worker in the area of peace who is on the peace committee had something to do with their decision that it was not of sufficient value. I do hope that we may be able to stimulate them to find ways and means and personnel of producing needed literature in the peace field on our own instead of merely collecting what others have done. I certainly want to thank you for your initiative and concern in this field and will appreciate suggestions you have to make.

My regards and best wishes to you and Alma. I hope you have a very profitable and enjoyable summer as I am sure you will.

Cordially yours,

Walter

Walter A. McCleneghan Peace Education Director

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enc: Dick Bennett's memo of June 9

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Dear Kirky,

Please forgine me for being so late in replying to your letter and the very important paper. I should not have delayed thus.

I have toot read it a good wany times and have only niner suggestions. I would nother speak of these than write them as writing seems to make more of them than perhaps they are worth or than I mean.

Atlan is to phono you tought about his plan and to ask you whether you would like to have supper at his house with a few who he would like to have meet you. I thought we might perhaps gather a little earlier than the supper if you wished to talk especially about the manuscript: Or is it already too late to do that you have done a fine piece of work.

Ever suiceusly,

Helm



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Dr. Kirby Page P. O. Box 247 La Habra, California

Dear Kirby,

The material in your article "Only a Miracle Can Save Us" certainly deserves four pages of space in The Christian Advocate but I am afraid that our readers would not tackle such a job even though they ought to do it. Accordingly I am suggesting that it be reduced to half its present space and if you want to trust me to do the reducing, I shall be glad to send you a proof for your approval.

We can use the article some time in September and it is alright with us for you to make the reprints mentioned in your letter.

Very truly yours.

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Dear Board Member:

In re-reading my report to you on the Mid-Century Conference for Peace, I found a serious typographical error on page 3, near the middle. The text should have read "U.N." instead of "U.S."

Sincerely yours,

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I enclose check for Ten Dollars for which please send me as many copies of your booklet as that will pay for on Unconditional Surrender I count that to be the most Christian in its approach to the world situation/Communists are taking over where there is already a Dictatorship of anything I have seen.

I am about to try Sumrise Services for Summer School students on the Campus here. That is a good piece of literature for them for one of the subjects.

I am much disturbed - not by the A-Bomb nor by the Hell-Bomb in the making, but by a worse bomb made before every war. This bomb dating from primitive man is made by inflaming the emotions of each nation by its leaders against the other peoples of the other nation until each people will at the command of those in authority fligg themselves at the throats and hearts of the other people and murder them. This is not Christian. This is not according to the Law of the Lord of the Jews. This is not the Hinduism of Gandhi. The Prophet of Islam taught Inner Peace. There is a Divine . Alchemy which transmutes this fear and hatred into Peace and Joy and Love for those which we are taught to hate. I experience this Divine Alchemy of Love for all peoples. I love the Communists and I love the Russians. The Skitzophrenia of fear and hatred is within ourselves - not between the Communists and the Russians and ourselves.

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Send by parcel post or by the method best suited.

Dear Pauls

In the light of your comment that the chief trouble with my article was its length, I have out it drastically and am enclosing it herewith. It will be helpful if I can know your decision soon.

Cordially,

Urbana-Lincoln hot

Dear Helens

I think the Christian Contury will print the article A MINISTER TODAY FACES THE CROSS (a new title). Paul Butchinson wrote that the chief trouble was its length. I have cut it down and changed it substantially and I believe that he will use it. ONLY A KIRACLE OAN SAVE US has been reduced in length and returned to The Christian Advocate.

The plan is to reprint both of these and send them a large number of ministers in October. The total cost will run to about \$5,000. Most of this amount can be taken care of by the margin on books which will be sold as a result of this large mailing. Our chief trouble is an advance expense of about \$1,000 for stamped envelopes and for the cost of addressing, before any returns come by mail. You will know whether or not you are in a position to help with this advance expense. If not, we will readily understand.

It was good to have that visit the other evening.

Cordially,

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W. RODEMANN, PH.D. FOREIGN LANGUAGE DEPT. and Philosophy

> Dr. Kirby Page La Habra. Calif.

Dear Dr. Page:

Enclosed you will find my check for \$ 2,50 in settlement of attached nota.

Great books at this price are almost Christmas-gifts. Kindly mail to me at once an additional copy of Living Prayerfully as a graduation gift for a university student (a nephew

of mine).

May I dare a suggestion? There are people who do not like the large, unhandy size of the thought-provoking "The Creative Revolution of Jesus". I am one of them. How would it be, if you would issue a parallel edition in a smaller format like "The Will of God for These Days", bound im cloth? Of course, the price would have to be higher, but I think it would pay. And there would be one great advantage, it could be given a place in the libraries much easier.

With kindest regards from me and mine

Yours cordially,

W. Rodemann

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OFFICE OF THE DEAN

June 28, 1950

Dr. Kirby Page Box 247 La Habra California

Dear Kirby:

I have been pleased to note that you recently sent a post card requesting a catalogue of our School of Religion. This we were glad to send you under separate cover some time ago. I hope it gives you whatever information you need.

I have been hoping that you would look in at our School of Religion at your convenience, both to see what we have and to give me a chance to talk over many matters of common interest. Please feel free to do so at any time, even though that may be months in the future. I have the feeling that you may now be off somewhere with one of your summer retreats, but I judge that this letter will be forwarded to you. I regret that it was impossible for the Asilomar gathering to materialize.

Looking forward to seeing you whenever we may do so, and with best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Earl Cranston

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Mr. Kirby Page LaHabra, California

My dear Kirby:

Recently the Disciples Peace Fellowship called a meeting of its Executive Committee to plan for meetings at the International Convention at Oklahoma City, October 9 to 15. I am writing on behalf of the Fellowship to ask if you are going to be anywhere in that vicinity at that time.

As you know, the Disciples Peace Fellowship usually holds a series of after-session meetings similar to those that have been carried on for years by the Campbell Institute. You have not been in one of our Conventions for a number of years and we feel that if you could be with us on, say, Wednesday night, October 11, we could give you a good crowd. I do not know that our funds would permit us to bring you a long distance, but I think we could be prepared for a reasonable expense and some honorarium.

It was a delight to have an hour with you and Alma some months ago at the home of Dean Shelton here in Indianapolis. You have never lost the creative touch that has characterized your ministry through the years. You still have a great message and one which the world ought to hear. I am planning to use your "The Creative Revolution of Jesus" in a Labor Day week-end conference at Crystal Beach, Michigan this year.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

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James A. Crain Executive Secretary

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June 28, 1950

Mr. Kirby Page LaHabra, California

My dear ... Page:

Under separate cover I have sent you a copy of the latest issue of Crozer catalogue. If you have any questions about Crozer I shall be very happy to interpret the program of the philosophy of our schoolto you. I trust things are going well with you and while you do not know me, I have received great inspiration from hearing you speak on numerous occasions and in the reading of your books.

With good wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

Charles E. Batten, Dean

APRIL, 1950

From the Log House in the Hills ...

After nine weeks of travel and speaking, we're home. . . . That homecoming! It could be called by our student friends a "lulu"! The snow was deep; no path from road to house; bags had to be lugged in as if to an Arctic base. . . The heater beneath the house had been flooded, had ice in it—and wouldn't drain. . . One woodpile was under snow, another might as well have been. In the great fireplace there was a sputtering. . . "Life in the woods is so glorious!". . . But, the wood thawed and burned. Neighbor Bentley performed "Operation De-Freeze" on the heater and it's again on the job. Two days ago there was a

NOTE: We're available for a few speaking engagements this summer (commencements, conferences, camps, etc.) Could you use us? . . . We're also booking now for next season. Want some information?

robin. Last night there was a full moon and a following star, in a sky so clear it was blue. The snow melts a little each day, and the Bentley's and we are gathering sap. . . Maple syrup and pancakes are ahead. . . So is Spring. . . Life in the woods is glorious.

Lois and Paul Harris, Jr.

Dear Dr. Page:

I notice that you are preaching down here in Belmont Shore at the Congregational Church. What am I going to do - recomend that my people go down and hear you when we are having services here at the same time! They probably would get more out of hearing you than staying here. Only trouble is they may get into the habit of going down there and continue to do so even after you left.

If I read the paper correctly you speak both at 9:30 and ll a.m. so I'll suggest we'll excuse them S. School if they will come back here for the ll o'clock service. How's that?

Here are some bulletins that I put aside to send you last winter giving announcement of your addresses in Long Beach. We had a car load or more at each of the four lectures. As usual, they were good.

We really do rejoice in the prophetic work that you are doing. The world scene does not look too bright, does it? Well, we can do the best we can and leave the rest in the hands of God. That's the way our father talked. There was a time when I would not use that expression. I thought it sounded too pious - but it seems to have the ring of reality to it now days.

With best wishes, I am

As always,

Brue Ells